

## Kosygin to Syria in bid to mould Arab bloc against Egypt, U.S.

POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent  
MOSCOW CONFIRMED last night that Premier Alexei Kosygin will visit Damascus early next month. The Soviet leader is expected to visit Iraq this coming weekend.

The nature of the Soviet leader's mission was not disclosed, but usually well-informed Arab circles in Beirut expected him to attempt to settle Syria's conflict with the radical Arab camp over Lebanon. These circles said that the Soviets were now seeking to patch up Syria's relations with the Lebanese nationalists and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) as well as with Iraq, Algeria and Libya, with the aim of lining up an anti-American and anti-Egyptian front in the region.

The announcement of Kosygin's visit to Damascus came as Saudi Arabia and Kuwait were continuing their efforts at reconciling Egypt and Syria. The two have been at loggerheads since Cairo signed the Sinai interim settlement with Israel last September.

The Saudi Arabian and Kuwaiti

foreign ministers yesterday left Damascus to report to their heads of state on their talks there with President Hafez Assad and on those held in Alexandria on Sunday with President Anwar Sadat. The Saudi Arabian minister, Saud al-Faisal, flew to Tehran where King Khaled is now making an official visit. His Kuwaiti counterpart, Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmed, returned home.

It was not clear whether the two ministers have made any progress in their bid to convene an Egyptian-Syrian summit. In the Saudi Arabian capital, both Egypt and Syria failed to send their Prime Ministers to Riyadh last week for a scheduled preparatory reconciliation conference. They are believed to have disagreed on the agenda.

Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have been reported as concerned over Syria's entanglement in the Lebanese crisis as well as its apparent bid to make an issue over extending the mandate of the Golan Heights. The mandate expires next Sunday.

U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim is due in Damascus today for what was being described as negotiating Syria's consent to the renewal of the mandate of the forces separating Syrian and Israeli troops. Israel has already agreed to the renewal, cautioning, however, that it would accept no extraneous conditions which Syria might attach to the agreement.

Syrian President Assad last night conferred with the commander of the Jordanian Air Force, Gen. Abboud Salem, who had arrived in Damascus unexpectedly earlier in the day. Syria and Jordan, which are currently negotiating union between them, have been conducting intensive consultations to coordinate their military and diplomatic strategies.

Gen. Salem last week played host in Amman to Soviet Deputy Defence Minister and Air Force Commander Marshal Pavel Kutakhov. The latter was reported at the time to have explored Jordan's quest to purchase Soviet air power systems.

## Syria links Undof to 'Palestine'

By DAVID LANDAU  
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent  
Syria has demanded a letter from UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim to its President Hafez Assad that would link renewal of the Undof mandate to the Palestinian problem — a linkage which Israel strenuously opposes.

Dr. Waldheim is due in Damascus today for talks on the renewal. The Undof mandate on the Golan Heights expires in six days.

Israel officials fear that the letter would be introduced into the Security Council's debate next weekend on renewing the mandate. Jerusalem apparently does not intend to press Waldheim — beyond Herzog's meeting with him yesterday — not to write the letter. "There is little we can do about it," one source acknowledged last night.

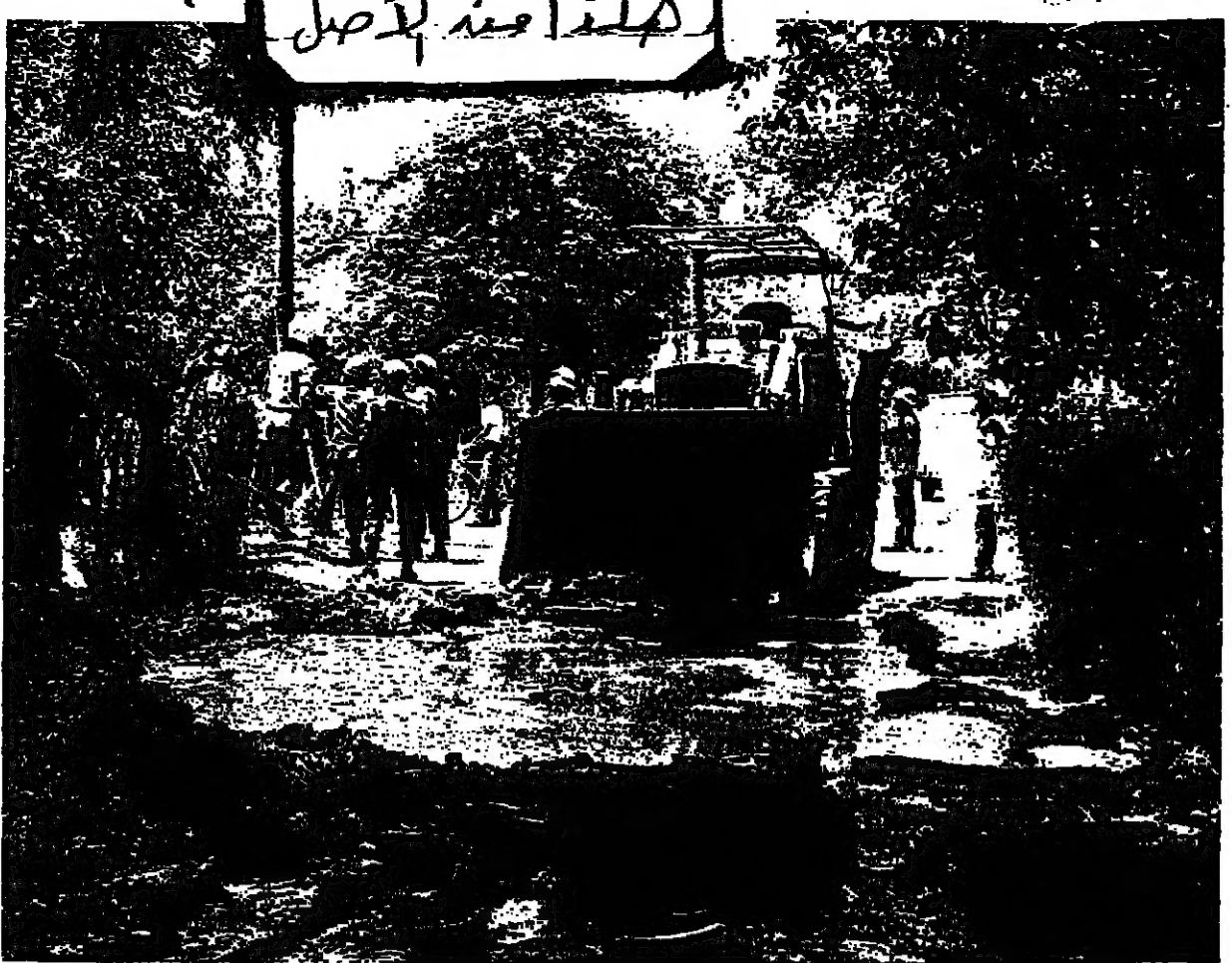
Waldheim knows our position opposing 'linkage' and he will presumably take account of it when drafting the letter."

Israel's UN ambassador Chaim Herzog met with Waldheim in New York yesterday and is understood to have told him that Israel would not see itself bound by anything in his prospective exchange of correspondence with President Assad.

The Syrians are apparently pressing Waldheim to write that the Palestinian problem is the "heart" of the Middle East conflict, and that the conflict is insoluble unless the Palestinians' claims are satisfied. They also want Waldheim to refer to UN General Assembly resolutions backing the PLO, and to a forthcoming debate in the Security Council (probably in June) on the report of the "Committee of Twenty" set up to examine the "implementation of Palestinian rights."

Israel will fight hard at the weekend, though, against any reference to the Waldheim letter in the Security Council's resolution renewing the mandate. Israel wants a mere "technical" resolution, without any political appendages, and hopes the U.S. will support this position. The Israeli view — it was reiterated again yesterday by Herzog and by spokesmen in Jerusalem and New York — is that the renewal should proceed automatically under the original disengagement agreement, without Syria seeking to score political points from it every six months.

Political and military sources here believe that Syria is basically interested in a renewal and in continued quiet on its Israeli frontier, because of its heavy involvement in the Lebanese crisis.



HATIKVA QUARTER residents dig a moat to prevent municipal bulldozers from advancing on the condemned warehouse wall. This photograph was taken by Ippa photographer Danny Gottfried who was shortly afterwards injured during the rioting and sent to hospital.

## Grenades thrown to thwart Hatikva qtr. wall demolition

### Owners agree to meet city

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat said yesterday after six hours of Hatikva Qtr. rioting that the Harari brothers are to meet with city officials tomorrow, when they will be asked to clear their warehouse of equipment and demolish it themselves. If they do not agree, the city will move in again to destroy the building.

Saying that he was determined to continue the policy of demolishing illegally constructed buildings, Lahat pointed out that the brothers had agreed to destroy the walls surrounding their warehouse lot, when the city had given them permission to retain the warehouse.

The mayor charged that when the brothers prepared to pull down the wall, they were dissuaded by individuals from the neighbourhood and by outsiders who had made a business out of encouraging people to build on public land where the city intended to build, with the intention of profiting from compensation payments offered by the city.

Hatikva quarter residents yesterday fought pitched battles with police in the second day of riots over the city's intention to demolish warehouses in Rehov Netivot. Four residents of the area and four policemen were injured in the riots, in which over 300 policemen took part. Four people were arrested.

In the course of the six-hour battle, a municipal tender was gutted by fire, Molotov cocktails and hand-grenades were thrown at police. Reports that one rioter fired a sub-machinegun from a roof at a helicopter overhead were denied by the police.

Yesterday's riots, like those on Sunday night, were over a Rehov Netivot warehouse owned by Moshe and Yitzhak Harari, where they and two partners stored equipment for their company Da'amud, which puts up communications antennas for the Ministry of Defence.

Yesterday's rioting began at 10 o'clock when word spread that the city had successfully appealed the



YITZHAK Harari at the warehouse. (Gottfried)

injunction issued on Sunday night by the district court preventing the municipality from demolishing the warehouse.

Residents dug two three-metre deep ditches across the (unpaved) road some 50 metres on either side of the structure, and filled them with water from mains which they had broken. Tyres were placed in front of the ditches. Behind the barrier, tenders belonging to the Harari brothers formed a secondary barrier. Inside the warehouse, young men filled empty bottles with petrol and stuffed rags into the bottle necks to form Molotov cocktails.

When this reporter asked one of the Harari brothers' wives looking on at the preparations for battle, if she wasn't worried about the danger of one of their children being hurt, she replied: "We'd rather burn them, than let them destroy our houses. What's the good of raising children if our homes are destroyed?"

About 12 noon, shouts of "they're coming, they're coming," echoed

through the streets. One young man threw petrol on a tyre barrier and set it alight. Columns of black smoke filled the air. "Stones, men, bring stones," another shouted. From behind the barrier one could see policemen wearing helmets and carrying shields and batons converging on one of the water-filled ditches. They were met by a barrage of rocks which forced them to withdraw temporarily. There was a temporary lull, and then the police began to fire teargas shells.

Some of the rioters began to throw Molotov cocktails. Either a hand-grenade or an exploding Molotov cocktail forced the police to draw back, but not before four policemen and four residents were wounded by flying glass or shrapnel.

By 12.30, resistance had died down and the police moved in on the warehouse, in which the two Harari brothers and their wives had locked themselves, with two, reportedly unwilling, Israel Television cameramen. A policeman fired teargas into the building, and the brothers and their wives opened the door. Yitzhak Harari was crying hysterically and had to be restrained by police.

A chain of border policemen stood at the gates of the Harari lot and waited for city inspectors and demolition units to come and begin the demolition work.

Angry and aullen residents of the street and neighbourhood were virtually unanimous in their condemnation of the city's action. One resident said that the Ashkenazim were against the Sephardim. This feeling was echoed by several residents, with many citing antipathy between the two as a reason for the mass participation in the demonstrations over the past two days.

At 1 p.m. municipal inspectors began destroying one side of the concrete block wall around the Harari lot. Beyond the water-filled ditch, tractors were waiting to move down the lane. One tractor driver began to drive over a ditch

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## Lebanese right says its arms are Egyptian — and paid for

BEIRUT. — Interior Minister Camille Chamoun on Sunday disclosed that Lebanese rightists were receiving weapons from Egyptian suppliers.

Chamoun, leader of the right-wing National Liberal party, made his remarks while commenting on a charge by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat that Israel had supplied arms to Lebanese rightists.

"We pay for our ammunition and war equipment with our own money, and the source for our weapons is an Egyptian one," Chamoun said.

He added that it is up to Sadat to explain the circumstances which had "enabled us to obtain Egyptian weaponry."

Lebanese president-elect Elias Sarkis had talks yesterday with the French ambassador in Beirut,

Hubert Argod, on French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing's offer to send French troops to separate the warring factions in Lebanon.

The Lebanese rightists have reacted favourably, but leftists and Palestinians say such moves would encroach on Lebanese sovereignty.

A series of violent incidents overnight continued yesterday. The right-wing Phalangist party's radio station reported sniping and shelling along the length of the front lines dividing the capital.

The radio also announced a night curfew in a district of Christian Beirut, in an apparent effort to check thieves and other law-breakers taking advantage of the breakdown of state authority.

(UPI, Reuter)

## Rabin pledges closer consultation with local leaders on Arab affairs

By YOSEF GOELL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THERE WILL BE a new readiness in the part of the authorities to consult with Israel Arab leaders on all decisions affecting the Arab sector. This is the major point to emerge from the past two days of high-level talks on policy towards Israel's Arab minority on which immediate action may be expected.

At yesterday's meeting in Jerusalem between Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and the 10 members of the executive of the Organisation of Arab Local Councils, Mr. Rabin conceded that, in the past, not enough had been done to ensure Arab participation in the decision-making processes on subjects relating to life in the Arab sector. He promised that leading Arab figures would be consulted on such decisions in the future.

The Prime Minister reiterated the government's determination to guarantee full and equal rights to Israel's Arab citizens "while respecting their separate religious and cultural identity." Mr. Rabin's reply to most of the specific demands presented by the Arab local council chairman, however, was in the negative.

In the memorandum they submitted, the Arab leaders asked for rescinding of the decision to expropriate 6,000 dunams of Arab-owned land in Galilee (this decision set off the violent Arab demonstrations of March 30, resulting in five deaths); compensation in land for lands that had been expropriated as far back as 1953; the grant of state-owned lands to Arab areas to the Arab villages; the establishment of an impartial inquiry committee to look into the events of March 30; and the reinstatement of Arab employees who had been laid off at various Jewish-owned enterprises because they had stayed away from work on the day of the demonstration.

Rabin briefed yesterday's meeting on the main lines of the government's policy towards the Arab population and dwelt on the details of Sunday's Cabinet session which decided to set up several new bodies to coordinate policy implementation and to permit consultation with Arab leaders.

In regard to this latter point, it was learned that the intention is to set up a 60-man advisory body on Arab affairs. The membership will



ZAKI DAB, Tamra Council chairman, leaving the Prime Minister's Office in Jerusalem yesterday with Mr. Rabin. (Avi Tal)

include Cabinet Ministers, Ministry representatives, public figures, intellectuals, religious figures, as well as elected and appointed officials from the Arab sector.

Arab reactions to yesterday's meeting and to Sunday's Cabinet decisions were mixed. The young chairman of the Baka al Garbiya Council, Mr. Jalal Abu Toameh, who participated in yesterday's meeting, told The Jerusalem Post that he felt that the decision to set up the new bodies to deal with Arab affairs constituted a potential breakthrough to an era of new and better relations with the Arab community.

The chairman of the Salkin Local Council, Mr. Jamal Tarrabiye, also a participant in yesterday's meeting, told The Post that he believes the meeting marked the turning of a new page in relations with the Arab sector. "I believe that the government is truly concerned for Arab welfare and this will lead to better relations in the future."

Salkin is the Central Galilee village where three villagers were killed in March 30 demonstrations. It is one of the Arab villages in which local elections are being held today, and Tarrabiye is standing for re-election.

Mr. Tarrabiye added that, while he had been disappointed in the

Prime Minister's refusal to rescind the land expropriation decision, he was gratified by what he understood to have been Mr. Rabin's readiness to consider the opening of lands in Area Nine to local farmers. These lands have been closed by the army for the purpose of manoeuvres. This has deprived many of the villagers of a sizable chunk of arable land in the hilly area.

In Tel Aviv, the New Communist Party (Rakah) yesterday criticized the government for setting up new committees on Arab affairs rather than adopting new policies.

"If the government wanted to end its discrimination against the Arab population, the party's announcement said, 'it should have decided... to cancel the decision to expropriate Arab lands and to establish a committee to investigate the events of Land Day (March 30).'"

In reviewing the government's Arab policy, Mr. Rabin said that, despite the fact that Israel had been in a state of war for the past 28 years, and for all that the security burden was borne in the main by the state's Jewish citizens, full equality should obtain in everything relating to education, development, wages and integration in the various aspects of Israeli life.

Urging the Council heads to lend their support to the Lands Authority in long-range development, the Prime Minister noted that existing plans already called for expansion of the jurisdictional areas of most Arab local councils. This, however, obliged the Local Council heads and other elected officials to switch over to work methods required by long-range planning and development.

On the question of land expropriation, the Prime Minister stressed that all state lands were at the disposal of every village's development requirements. (Continued on page 2, col. 5)

## Arraba youth held on return from Jordan

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Three boys from Arraba crossed the border into Jordan 10 days ago, intending to make their way to Syria and join a terrorist organization there, The Jerusalem Post learned yesterday.

They were part of a group of five youths aged 16 and 17 who set out from the Arab village in the Beit Netuts Valley in Galilee. One of the five returned to the village and was arrested, while the fifth is believed hiding in the mountains, afraid to come back. The three crossed the border at Naharayim, south of Tiberias.

The authorities gave no details, but The Post learned that Jordanian forces had arrested the three, and will probably return them to Israel today.

The village of Arraba has gained a reputation over the past year of support of anti-Israeli terrorist groups — a number of its young men are currently imprisoned for acts hostile to the State. Arraba played a major role in the March 30 "Arab Lands Day" demonstrations and riots, and Rakah (New Communist List) is especially strong there.

## Olympic soccer draw

MONTREAL. — Israel's football team will compete in one group with Mexico, France and Guatemala, according to the drawing results announced yesterday on the four groups of teams for the Olympics soccer finals. (Reuter)

## Settlement talks put off

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
THE MINISTERIAL settlement committee cancelled a meeting it was due to hold today on large-scale new settlement plans on both sides of the "green line." Ministers were given only 24 hours' notice of the cancellation. Officials had no explanation for it.

Committee sources strongly denied that the cancellation was connected with the Kadum affair. Committee chairman Yisrael Galili is still due to draft a proposal offering the Kadum settlers an alternative site to Kadum, near Nabius, which the Cabinet has ordered closed. Some political observers believe Galili wants to avoid a session of the settlement committee for fear that the members would split sharply over the Kadum issue.

Authoritative sources said yesterday that Galili had not yet made any move on Kadum. They indicated that no move was now to be expected until after the Shavuot holiday, at the end of next week.



Scene at the Harari warehouse after one of the surrounding walls was partly demolished. (Uri Keren)

## Criminals at large as courts too busy


Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter  
THE CRIME rate in the Greater Tel Aviv area would drop significantly if the several hundred criminal suspects there against whom the Police had completed files could be brought to Court and tried.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel told the Knesset this yesterday, replying to the debate on the work of his Ministry over the year. He said that the pressure of work in the courts system was such that trials could simply not keep up with Police investigations, and therefore the suspects were able to go free and continue their nefarious acts.

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**PHYLLIS LEVIN**  
The funeral will take place on Wednesday, May 26, leaving at 3 p.m. from the Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Daphna, Tel Aviv, for the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery.

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Her daughters, Tamara Welsberg  
Judy Levin  
Her sister, Sara (Sadie) Wilkison  
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Location	Today's High-Low	Tomorrow's High-Low	Monday's High-Low
Jerusalem	18-23	18-23	18-23
Golan	18-23	18-23	18-23
Nahariya	18-23	18-23	18-23
Safed	18-23	18-23	18-23
Tiberias	18-23	18-23	18-23
Nazareth	18-23	18-23	18-23
Afula	18-23	18-23	18-23
Sharon	18-23	18-23	18-23
Tel Aviv	18-23	18-23	18-23
B-G Airport	18-23	18-23	18-23
Jericho	18-23	18-23	18-23
Beersheba	18-23	18-23	18-23
Eilat	18-23	18-23	18-23
Tiran	18-23	18-23	18-23

**Social and Personal**

Monty Hall, host of the U.S. TV programme "Let's Make a Deal" and an active volunteer for UJA, met yesterday afternoon (May 24) with Defence Minister Shimon Peres at his office in Jerusalem.

French Ambassador Jean Herly and a group of the French Technion Society yesterday attended the inauguration at the Technion of the Maison de France student dormitory, named for the late French scientist Louis Armand. The French Government donated a culture room and library for the hostel, which has room for 48 students.

The 1974/75 Lucien Talch Archaeology Prizes were presented on Sunday to Dr. Israel Levin and to architect Eshel Netzer, both of the Institute of Archaeology of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The \$1,000 Prizes, intended for archaeologists at the start of their careers, went for work at Caesarea and Jericho. The award ceremony was chaired by Professor Yigal Yadin and attended by Mr. and Mrs. Israel Talch of Belgium, parents of the late Lucien Talch.

Wolf Cegla, past district governor of Rotary in Israel, has been appointed a member of the Finance Committee of Rotary International and of the Consultative Group of Europe, North Africa, and Eastern Mediterranean (a region of Rotary). Just back from Germany, where he represented the President of Rotary International at the district conference in Hamburg and Berlin, Dr. Cegla will be a group leader at the international assembly of Rotary at Boca Raton, Florida, later this month.

The Israel, Britain and Commonwealth Association, Haifa Branch, will give a reception in honour of British Ambassador Anthony Elliott at the Dan Carmel Hotel, at 8.30 tonight. Mr. Elliott will speak on "Britain Today."

The Lion Clubs of Jerusalem will meet tonight at 20.30 at the Jerusalem Hilton to celebrate Jerusalem Day.

An exhibition of plans for renovations of the Western Wall plaza in Jerusalem's Old City, designed by architect Ya'acov Farag with a revolutionary concept which differs from those proposed by other architects, went on display yesterday at Beit Agran in Jerusalem, and will be open until Wednesday evening.

**DEPARTURES**

Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, for Teheran, to visit Iranian Jewish communities.

In deep sorrow we announce the death of our dear

**REUVEN BRAUN** ז"ל

The funeral will set out today, 25.7.76, at 2.15 p.m. from Rothschild Hospital, Haifa, for the new cemetery at Kfar Samir.

A bus will be available from the hospital.

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**1975 budget deficit was IL4.29 billion**

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The Government's budgetary deficit came to IL4.29 billion last year, according to the Annual Report of the Bank of Israel for 1975, due to be released shortly.

If one adds money pumped into circulation by the national institutions (IL1,170m.) and new bank credit (IL3,000m.) — half of it being the shortfall of the banks on their liquidity obligations, the total potential increase in the money supply was IL4,400m. — or more than all the existing cash in the country at the beginning of that year.

But the purchase of foreign exchange by business firms and private persons to finance the import surplus mopped up IL4,500m. in local currency. So the trade deficit (more goods coming in than going out) offset most of the monetary inflation, the report concludes. In the end, the means of payment increased only slightly.

Since money was not over-abundant, interest rates rose by 5 per cent, reaching (for some transactions) a level of 45 per cent per annum. This did not affect export companies, which enjoy subsidized credit, but had some effect in reducing economic activity on the domestic market. It could have been reduced further (and the demand for foreign exchange diminished) had less money been pumped into circulation in the first place.

The income tax reform lost the Treasury IL1,500m. in revenue, the report notes — without any compensating gain from the proposed Value Added Tax, application of which was delayed (it is due in July of this year).

**Rakah flexing muscles for Arab poll today**

By YOEL DAR  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — The Rakah (New Communist) party is making a show of strength in its attempt to influence the outcome of today's elections for local councils in several of the Arab and Druze villages where polls will be held. They are Sakimim, Nahf, Deir el-Asad, Beit Jann, Makr, Julis and Kari Kari.

Through the use of leaflets, slogans, songs and public meetings, Rakah has been trying hard to discredit moderate Arab candidates as "those who help the Government take away our land and do not shrink from killing those who would protect it."

The slogan refers to the death of five rioters in clashes with the police and army on "Land Day"

last March 30. The Rakah activists have the support of non-Communist nationalists among the Arab Land Protection Committee.

Rakah is seeking chairmanships in Nahf, Makr and Deir el-Asad. More than 13,000 of the nearly 38,000 population of these villages have the vote. Altogether 54 lists have been registered.

For the first time, officials of the Jewish parties backing some of the lists, mainly the Labour Party and NRP, are not engaging in mutual vilification and are even supporting some of each other's candidates. The Labour Party's Arab Department secretary, Ra'anan Cohen, said yesterday he was satisfied with the party's strength in most of the villages, except for Deir el-Asad and Makr.

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**Hatikva Quarter**

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and got bogged down. Another tractor drove to the front gates of the warehouse and began pushing them down.

At this, the wife of Moshe Harari became hysterical. Screaming "Mother, mother, I want to die," she tried to break through the police barrier to throw herself in front of the tractor.

At 2 p.m., with half of one wall destroyed and the front gates caved in, police commander David Ofer gave the order to halt and the large force of policemen withdrew. According to one police source, the city had said that the destruction of one wall was enough — for the time being.

As Ofer withdrew with his men, he was heard to say that if there was something he would rather not do, it was to carry out this sort of order, but the law had to be obeyed. During the day, Dan continued to run buses throughout the Hatikva Quarter despite the destruction of one of their vehicles on Sunday.

**Arab policy before Labour**

By DAVID LANDAU  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A LABOUR PARTY in-depth discussion of Israel Arab problems, due to have been held at Beit Berl next Saturday, has been postponed to June 10 to enable Premier Rabin to take part. Mr. Rabin will open the discussion, one of a series on major national problems held by

Labour's "Central Ideological Platform." Other speakers will include Defence Minister Peres and Abba Eban, MK.

Mr. Rabin was not originally due to take part in the discussion, which was to have been led off by his Arab Affairs Adviser, Shmuel Toledano. But Toledano, as a senior civil servant, was barred by the Civil Service Commissioner from attending this party-political forum. And so the "Platform" organisers, Labour Party Tel Aviv Secretary Dov Ben-Meir and Beit Berl Chairman Abba Eban, decided to ask Mr. Rabin himself to appear.

**Hadassah clinics**

Patients at the clinics of Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital must, starting June 1, bring along their identity cards. No one will be treated without such identification, the hospital announced yesterday.

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**Dr. SHMUEL B. HURWICH**

Thursday evening, May 27, at 8.00 p.m. at the Women's League for Israel, 18 Rehov Itan Givrol, Jerusalem.  
Members and friends are asked to attend.

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**UK Jews embarrassed by Wilson honours leak**

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Several leading members of Britain's Jewish community have been embarrassed by the premature leak of a list of honours proposed by Sir Harold Wilson on the occasion of his recent resignation as Prime Minister.

By an odd coincidence, six of the people whose pictures appeared on the front page of "The Sunday Times" were Jewish, and the seventh was Jewish antecedent. All are also known as friends of Israel, as is Sir Harold himself.

The list is said to have been held up because of doubts about three of the nominees by a special scrutinizing committee which acts on behalf of the Queen.

According to "The Sunday Times" questions had been raised about the peerages proposed for James Goldsmith and Sir Joseph Kagan, and the knighthood for Jarvis Astaré.

Four others said to be nominated for peerages — which grant membership in the House of Lords — are publisher Sir George Weidenfeld; Sir Lew Grade and Sir Bernard Delfont, two of the country's top impresarios (they are brothers); and Sigmund Sternberg, a leading metals merchant.

**Court throws out IL1m. bequest to male nurse**

TEL AVIV. — The District Court yesterday threw out an elderly woman's death-bed bequest of IL1m. to the male nurse who looked after her, and reinstated an earlier will leaving the sum to Tel Aviv University.

Judge Yitzhak Shilo ruled that male nurse Albert Samo had exercised undue influence over 80-year-old Adelaide Joki. Recalling Samo's criminal record, he declared that Samo was not to be trusted.

The Judge added that the medical ethics board should look into the testimony of two doctors at the Danziger private hospital here, who had said Mrs. Joki was of sound mind when she made the will while there.

Deciding in favour of an appeal by Tel Aviv University, the court found that Mrs. Joki — widow of

**Newsman protest Parley opens on co-op economy**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The crisis of the public and cooperative economy in the democracies is the main subject of the 11th congress of CRIECC — the International Centre of Research and Information on Public and Co-operative Economy — which opened yesterday at the Pal Hotel here.

The congress, which has attracted 400 delegates from abroad, is the first CRIECC has held outside Europe.

Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruhm Meshel told the congress that he hoped it could give an answer to the question of whether there was a need for government intervention in the economy. Ya'acov Levinson, chairman of the Board of Directors of Bank Hapoalim, said that creative responsibility seemed to lie on the wage and need not be motivated. "We face a number of severe instances of estrangement between owners, managers and employees" in a number of units in the cooperative sector, he said.

The congress, which will continue through Thursday, was also addressed by CRIECC president Paul Lambert.

Israeli newsmen who cover the administered areas yesterday took issue with Defence Minister Shimon Peres for accusing them of being "unpatriotic." Peres had reportedly charged at Sunday's Cabinet meeting that local reporters were no less biased than foreign correspondents in covering recent West Bank riots.

Meeting in Jerusalem's Beit Agran last night, the reporters sent Peres a cable asking for prompt clarification of his statement. They also named a three-man committee — Yehuda Litani of "Ha'aretz," Pinhas Inbari of Israel Radio and Anan Safadi of The Jerusalem Post — to take up the matter with the Defence Minister.

The Defence Ministry last night said Peres' criticism of coverage by some world news media had been "inaccurately reported" in most of yesterday's papers. These reports had quoted him as saying that foreign correspondents had recently been "willfully falsifying" the picture on the West Bank.

**Ashdod 'lock-in'**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — After long negotiations yesterday, workers at the Ashdod Automotive Industries agreed to open the gates of the plant, which they had earlier closed, locking more than 280 workers inside. Their act was a protest against the breakdown of talks with management on severance compensation to be paid to 100 workers.

Late last night, however, most of the 255 workers, as well as some 30 workers with administrative grades, were still inside the plant. The former remained there in protest, and the latter, according to the works committee chairman, remained in a show of sympathy.

Chairman Yitzhak Cohen of the regular workers told The Jerusalem Post all 255 workers considered themselves fired, and were demanding increased severance pay.

It is understood that at yesterday's meeting it was made clear that the body would not be considered the politically representative body of Israel's Arabs, but that its members would be consulted on all Arab local and municipal affairs.

Participating in yesterday's meeting were: the Mayor of Shtaram, Mr. Ibrahim Nimer Hussein; and the Chairmen of the following Local Councils: Sakimim — Jamal Tarrahiye; Me'ilya — Massad Kasas; Rami — Hanna Muwayis; Tira — Tarek Abdel Hal; Tayibe — Abdel Rahim Haj Tayba; Baka el Garbiya — Jalal Abu Toameh; Tamara — Zaki Diab; Umm al Fahm — Muhammad Mustafa Mahmud; and the former Chairman of the Dabouriya Local Council — Ahmed Maslaha.

Also participating were the Minister of Interior, Dr. Yosef Burg; the Director-General of the Lands Authority, Mr. Meir Zorea; the Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Amos Eran; the Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs, Mr. Shmuel Toledano.

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**NEWS IN BRIEF**

**Histadrut meets Asian unions**

TEL AVIV. — Histadrut leaders said yesterday they had achieved a breakthrough in relations with Far East countries. They declined to disclose details for fear they would jeopardize the achievements. However, reporting on the recent convention of the Asian Regional Organization in Manila, Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruhm Meshel said he had met trade unionists from countries which have not recognized Israel.

Dr. P.P. Marayanan, a Malaysian and president of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, publicly praised the Histadrut at the ARO convention, and labour federation officials predicted this would have an impact on other Asian trade unionists.

ARO, which groups pro-Western trade unions affiliated with the ICFTU, elected Meshel one of its deputy presidents. Meshel told the Central Committee here on Sunday that his election would enable the Histadrut to develop contacts with Asian trade unions.

**Israelis must learn to work**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — "The Israeli workers must learn to work," Joseph Schildowsky, the French industrialist who established the Beit Shemesh motor plant, told The Post yesterday.

Schildowsky, who was attending a Technion ceremony, was answering questions concerning his Israeli plant. "From the financial and social point of view everything's all right, but the workers do not work well enough. Their efficiency is low compared to workers in other countries, and they must do better," he said.

**Galilee quitters exceed joiners**

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The number of newcomers in every single town in Galilee was less than the number of leavers during 1974, according to unpublished Absorption Ministry statistics, the Alignment's Yosef Sarid wrote yesterday in a letter to the Knesset Speaker.

Sarid demanded an urgent debate in the House on the Galilee population-dispersal issue, charging that the Government's much vaunted policy had utterly failed. Drastic steps to halt the exit must be taken at once, Sarid urged.

**Taxmen can rat to VAT**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The income tax authorities have the right to pass along information they hold on taxpayers to the Excise Department, which deal with Value Added Tax.

This official opinion was given yesterday by the legal adviser to the Internal Revenue Administration, Dov Neiger, who also issues regulations to enforce his ruling.

Up to yesterday, income tax files were considered to be confidential and the information in them was not supposed to be passed to other governmental or non-governmental bodies.

However, Neiger found that this does not apply to the Excise Department dealing with VAT. The VAT authorities need the information to trace all possible taxpayers, and have therefore decided to combine information from both sources (income tax and VAT) on a computer.

**Bike path for Jordan Valley**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — A section of the 70-year-old Haifa-Damascus railway line between Tzema and Adkim is to be converted to a bike and pedestrian path to afford greater safety to the pupils who commute between their kibbutzim in the Jordan Valley and the regional school at Beit Zera.

The two-metre-wide track will be about 2.5 kms. long. The Transport Ministry and the Railways management have consented on condition: if and when train service between Israel and the Syrian capital is resumed, the local authority will remove the path on a few week's notice.

The Jordan Valley settlers believe they and their children will enjoy the safety of the new track for a long time.

**Shipping firm owner found shot**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Captain Baruch Malinik, 47, partner and joint manager of the Marico ship operators company, was found shot and badly wounded in his Mt. Carmel office at noon yesterday. He had a bullet in his head, and a revolver was found lying on a table.

The wounded man was rushed to Rambam Hospital in critical condition. Police are investigating the circumstances of the shooting.

Capt. Malinik was co-founder of the company, together with Capt. Menahem Rimmon. The firm was reportedly doing very well and had a tanker of its own. The partners had previously been managers of the Zim passenger line.

**Foreign Ministers hold meeting**

Honduras Foreign Minister Roberto Perdomo Paredes yesterday held a working session with his host, Foreign Minister Yigal Allon at the latter's bureau in Jerusalem.

They discussed the situation in this region and mutual cooperation between the two countries.

During the day, the visiting Foreign Minister and his wife, accompanied by Honduras Ambassador Jose de la Cruz Hernandez, and his wife Rosa, called on Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem.

**'Gush Emunim is dangerous'**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Gush Emunim is a danger to democracy, the Labour Party's Young Guard said yesterday.

Democracies die at the hand of groups which believe they represent the true national interests and are therefore justified in imposing their views on the majority, the Young Guard said.

Avraham Hasson of the Independent Liberals warned against yielding to Gush Emunim. "A government which compromises with mobs will not last long," he said.

**Histadrut wants clean sports**

Kfar Sava. — The Histadrut will take strong steps to keep Israel sports — including its own Hapoel sport organization — clean and orderly, Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruhm Meshel said yesterday. He was speaking at the opening of the Hapoel convention at Beit Berl, near here.

Meshel admitted that Hapoel was not free of the negative aspects that had cropped up in the country's sport. But he added that the media were not paying enough attention to the work Hapoel was doing for its 400,000 members in the cities, the countryside and the Arab sector. He also praised the work of retiring Hapoel head Yosef ("Yosh") Inbar.

The 600 conference delegates will elect a 258-member council, which next month will choose a successor to Inbar.

**Gov't confirms ouster of Steff Wertheimer**

NAHARIYA. — The Interior Ministry has confirmed the expulsion of Steff Wertheimer from the Town Council, on which he headed the five-man "pro-Nahariya" list.

The list, seasonally successful at the last elections two and a half years ago, has been a thorn in the side of the coalition majority. Yesterday Wertheimer said he had asked the Knesset Interior Committee to investigate the circumstances of his expulsion by Mayor Efraim Sharir (Labour).

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# IL40m. this year for research on energy

By GIDYON KESHER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel is to invest IL40m. this year on research and development of energy resources, most of it in the field of solar energy. This was announced at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday by Yitzhak Galor, chief scientist in the Ministry of Defense, and Yehoshua Ben-Zur, director of the Ministry of Energy.

Within a year, he added, the government will take a stand on investing in energy resources such as shale oil, peat and solar energy, and within two years on the prospects of the channel from the Mediterranean to the Dead Sea. This project is meant to enhance the country's energy potential and enable Israel, within 10 years, to produce 30 per cent of its energy needs.

On this year's energy development, it was pointed out that most of the research is being conducted by the Tadiran company and is focusing on a combined heating-cooling system. This project alone, he estimated, will cost IL15m. investment.

Israel's own shale oil resources would allow it to produce 1,000 gigawatts of electricity per annum, or a 30-year period. The drawback, however, is that the necessary technology is as yet non-existent, or elsewhere, Yehoshua said.

Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev said at the same press conference that one source for financing proposed projects is the \$60m. research and development fund established by the Government together with the U.S.

Commenting on the proposals to establish an energy authority, Bar-Lev said that the plan proposed by Moshe Mandelbaum, Director-General of his ministry, would mean about 200 workers less than the proposal broached by Zvi Dinstein, the Government energy adviser. Mandelbaum suggested that the new authority use the services of existing Government departments and thus refrain from establishing a new bureaucracy. Dinstein, however, is in favour of the authority being totally independent of the Government in its day-to-day business. The cabinet has approved Dinstein's plan in principle.

Bar-Lev also said that the decision on linking the Israel pound to a "currency basket" is contingent upon two factors: first, how much of Israel's trade is transacted in dollars. If the figure comes to as high as 70 per cent, there is no need to alter the present dollar-linked system. The second factor is the influence the "basket" linkage would have exerted upon Israel's exports had the system been introduced last year.

Bar-Lev restated his position in favour of administrative regulations prohibiting the services sector to employ young people. This is necessary to induce the young to find employment in industry, he said. Bar-Lev added that in his opinion the Government will eventually be forced into this measure because shortage of labour has turned out to be the crucial limitation on export growth.

## Tel Aviv traffic changes in effect near beaches

TEL AVIV. — New traffic arrangements and parking lots will be employed by the city here, starting today, to facilitate access to Tel Aviv's beaches during the summer months.

The traffic changes:

Arlosoroff will become one-way, west, from Ben-Yehuda to Harkon.

Jabotinsky will be one-way, east, from Harkon to Ben-Yehuda.

Left turns will be permitted from Ben-Yehuda into Arlosoroff ward the beach.

Hayarkon will be one-way southward between Arlosoroff and Lele.

Sderot Ben-Gurion, on the southern side (until now the east and lanes), will be one-way west, turning south into Hayarkon.

No left turns will be permitted from Ben-Yehuda westward into Jabotinsky or Nordau.

Am Israel Hai will be one-way west.

Bus route No. 55 will change direction along Ben-Yehuda, Arlosoroff, Hayarkon and Jabotinsky, to adjust to the above changes, and traffic lights will also be adjusted.

The city has also arranged some 1,900 parking spaces in several parking lots, and plans to add 400 more.

Parking in the following lots will be free: Sheraton Beach (200 cars), Hilton Hotel (100 cars), Ramada Hotel (50), Givat Gordon (100), Hayarkon 53 (200), and Hayarden-Hayarkon, near the foot of Allenby (70).

There will be paid parking at the following street-level and underground lots: Hanamel (old port) — 350, Pal Hotel — 80, Atarim — 400 (underground), Laromne Hotel — 125 (underground), French Embassy — 120, and Dan Hotel — 70 (underground).

## Cystic fibrosis parley opens in Jerusalem

By SIMSON CARLBACH  
Jerusalem Post Science Reporter

About 100 scientists and physicians from around the world are participating today through Thursday in a conference in Jerusalem on cystic fibrosis — recently discovered to be the most common genetic lung disease to affect children fatally.

The conference — "Cystic Fibrosis: Projections into the Future" — is being held at the Israel Academy of Sciences.

Cystic fibrosis is an hereditary disease occurring in about one out of every 1,500 Caucasian births, though it is not restricted to Caucasians. It is estimated that 11 million persons in the U.S. alone, (5% of the population) — and perhaps more than 170 million people around the world — are carriers. Should an individual be born with the disease, the chances of his children being born with the disease are one in four. Half of their children will be carriers. There is a known test to detect carriers. The disease attacks breathing and digestion and induces infections which cause premature death.

Whereas in the early 1950s most patients died in infancy, modern treatment involving daily pulmonary drainage and special antibiotics has already extended the life expectancy of the affected into his late teens or early twenties.

In Israel, the number of known sufferers has jumped from 60 to 138 in the past eight months. "The conference is helpful in bringing the disease to the attention of doctors in the country," says Dr. Maimon Cohen, chairman of the Department of Human Genetics at Hadassah University Hospital. "Because the disease shares some symptoms with many less-serious respiratory diseases, it sometimes happens that the child is not brought to a specialist for diagnosis."

The cases recently discovered have been among Ashkenazi, Sephardi and Arab children.

The conference, is under the chairmanship of Dr. Milton Granb, funded mainly by the estate of Jack Scheer (Philadelphia). All funds left over from the conference will go to furthering research in Israel on the disease.

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MEXICAN VEGETABLES.—Workers trying to salvage something from a load of Galilee produce which landed on the Coastal Road near Kibbutz Shetayim yesterday after the truck carrying it blew out two of its tires. (SBS)

## Bills would clip wings of radio, TV

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The present independence of the Broadcasting Authority would be curtailed under a private members' bill tabled by seven Labour MKs from the party's three wings.

The seven MKs suggest two alternative versions to their proposal to clip the wings of Shidurei Yisrael. The first, drastic version, would abolish the authority's independent powers entirely and transfer them to the Minister of Education. The second, less drastic version, would put the authority's director-general under the minister's direct authority.

The seven MKs said the authority's coverage was often not balanced and contained harmful and negative material. Since the Government, the Knesset, and the authority's own bodies were powerless to act against this situation, they said, the law had to be amended.

The seven are Shoshana Arbeli, David Cohen, Meisida Ghez, Ya'acov Frank, Amos Hadar, Benzion Hatzor and Aviad Yaffe.

Meanwhile, the chairman of the Finance Committee, Yisrael Karmann, informed Education Minister Aharon Yadin that the committee would not approve the authority's 1976 budget until it received a list of economy moves planned by the authority.

## MKs prepare to resist U.S. extradition bid

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The fate of American immigrant Tuvia Schwartz, whom the California authorities want to extradite from Israel because he is a criminal, will come up in the Knesset tomorrow.

Four MKs have tabled urgent motions for the agenda about the extradition request against Schwartz, who is now serving in the army and has a home in Beer-Sheva. Since Justice Minister Haim Zadok is abroad, Premier Yitzhak Rabin will probably answer the motion in his stead. The motions were tabled by Avraham Melamed (NRP), Eliezer Seidel (ILP), Yehuda Yudin (Alignment-Mafam) and Akiva Nof (Likud-Free Centre).

Schwartz damaged the car of Andrea Artukovic's brother in Los Angeles about 18 months ago. Artukovic was a top Croatian Nazi who was responsible for the deaths of scores of thousands of Yugoslavs, including many Jews, during the Hitler occupation. After he fled to the U.S., the American authorities refused to extradite Artukovic to Yugoslavia. Although he was sentenced to death for war crimes by a Yugoslav court, the U.S. authorities claimed he committed a political crime only. Tuvia Schwartz and an associate who wanted to draw attention to this paradox, set the car of the criminal's brother ablaze and were arrested. Schwartz jumped bail and came to Israel.

Seidel told The Post that if Schwartz appeared to be in serious danger of extradition, he would organize a petition among Knesset members, to be sent to the U.S. Congress, to quash the proceedings against the fugitive.

Seidel said he would circulate detailed documentation about the atrocities committed by the Croat who found haven in the United States. He said hundreds of thousands of Israelis would sign a public petition supporting Schwartz.

## SHEMTOV TELLS KNESSET: Family planning needed to reduce abortions

Jerusalem Post Staff

Health Minister Victor Shemtov said yesterday it was advisable from the medical standpoint to reduce the number of abortions carried out each year in Israel. The best way to do so was by introducing a comprehensive family planning programme which would regulate births and obviate thousands of the abortions now being conducted.

Shemtov was replying to the Knesset debate on the work of his ministry over the year.

In Tel Aviv on Sunday, Chalka Grossman, MK (of Shemtov's Mafam party), told the great fact if the new liberal abortion law is passed, the number of abortions performed in Israel will decline. The chairman of the Public Services Committee said her bill would ensure proper hygienic conditions for the operations performed and would also eliminate the exorbitant fees now paid for illegal abortions.

At present doctors are rarely punished for performing illegal abortions, she said. Even when an abortion resulted in the death of the patient, the doctor was only sentenced to one year in jail (five is the maximum), she added.

According to the bill, which has been passed by a two-thirds majority on the first reading, abortion will still be illegal unless one or more of the following conditions exist: danger to the life or health of the mother, danger to the infant, conception by incest, extramarital pregnancy, or the possibility of harm to the woman or her children in difficult domestic or social circumstances (such as a large family). The latter has been sharply criticized by religious circles.

The law will allow abortions to be performed in clinics and will make it unnecessary for a woman without means to have an expensive, illegal abortion — if she fulfills the abortion bill's conditions.

Grossman's suggestions have provoked fiery reactions — including a postcard accusing her of being "the incarnation of Hitler." Others claimed that she should not "continue the work of the Nazi Doctor Mengele." She claimed that these extreme factions had aroused public opinion — although previously they had turned a blind eye to the 60,000 abortions performed annually.

Dr. Emanuel Chigier, an experienced lecturer in sex education in high schools, told The Jerusalem Post that "every abortion committed is an example of failed contraceptive education." The demand for sex education has grown and there aren't enough teachers to meet it, he stated. On the other hand, he said that this did not mean the law was unnecessary. Dr. Chigier thought that a liberalization of the existing law would "not encourage young people to have more sexual relations than they already have."

## Aronson gets Jewish burial in Amsterdam

AMSTERDAM. — Leon Aronson, the 40-year-old Dutch-born Jew executed by Iraqi authorities as an Israeli spy, was buried in the Jewish cemetery here on Friday after a brief ceremony, public prosecutor Hans Renesse said yesterday.

Dr. Renesse said the body of Aronson, a male nurse who was arrested in Iraqi Kurdistan and convicted of espionage, was flown to Amsterdam from Baghdad on Thursday. He added that an autopsy showed that Aronson had died by hanging between four and seven months ago.

The autopsy was arranged at the private request of Aronson's father, who lives here.

At the time of his arrest in the restive Kurdish region of northern Iraq, in March 1975, Aronson was carrying Israeli identity papers and political and military reports, Iraqi officials said at the time. He was sentenced to death in November and executed in January of this year.

Holland protested strongly to Iraq in March of this year when it was officially confirmed that Aronson — who was a Dutch national — had been executed, despite pleas for clemency by Foreign Minister Max van der Stoep. Prime Minister Joop den Uyl publicly accused the Iraqi authorities of executing Aronson "without a form of trial, contrary to the most elementary human rights."

The funeral was attended only by the family, the chief rabbis of The Hague and Amsterdam, a small group of Protestant clergymen, and a representative of the Dutch Foreign Ministry.

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## Soviets order Dr. Shtern to dig ditches

NEW YORK. — Dr. Mikhail Shtern, who was sentenced to a labour camp by a Soviet court two years ago for alleged economic crimes, has been transferred from factory work to ditch digging, his son, Victor, reported on Saturday.

The reason for the transfer was that Dr. Shtern owed 700 rubles to the court which could be worked off only by hard physical labour, it was reported. Victor, who is in the U.S. on his father's behalf, learned of the transfer in a telephone call to his mother in Vinnytsa, Ukraine.

According to Inez Weissman, executive director of the American Committee to Free Dr. Mikhail Shtern, Victor himself paid the court expenses before he emigrated to Israel after his father's trial. She said that Victor's mother protested in vain about the transfer to Soviet authorities in Moscow and Kiev on grounds that Dr. Shtern is in poor health. The authorities said the transfer would not be reversed, it was reported.

Victor Shtern and members of the group seeking his father's release will go to Washington today. According to Weissman, they have an appointment at the White House with an aide to President Ford. Later in the week, Victor Shtern will testify before the House International Relations Committee on his father's plight. (JTA)

## 'Absorption Month' to show newcomers' contributions

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

June is "Absorption Month," with the emphasis on bringing immigrants into the mainstream of society through volunteer work and showing veteran settlers how much newcomers have contributed.

Yosef Meir, head of the Absorption Ministry's social absorption department, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the month is not meant merely to focus attention on immigrants for 30 days. "The special activities we started last June volunteering by immigrants at army bases, and talks by immigrants' delegations on why they settled here," continued throughout the year.

"Absorption Month" activities expected to go on through 1976 include the "adoption" of Nahal settlements by immigrants in city neighbourhoods (and vice versa), a Georgian folklore evening for Jerusalem high schools pupils and mutual visits by new and old settlers.

Meir said that the general attitude towards immigrant among the population is "getting slightly better." (Such a shift usually takes place when new immigrants are scarce.) "And the various studies linking emigration with poor social absorption have been accepted by many Israelis; they realize that newcomers need to feel wanted."

Commenting on the recent controversy over immigrant clubs — which are funded, in part, by his department, to the tune of IL1.5m. — Meir said that local clubs in immigrant neighbourhoods deserve higher priority than larger, more central clubs. There are now some 130 local clubs for immigrants around the country.

He announced a new policy of channelling one-third of the funds allocated to immigrant associations into local, active chapters of the associations, rather than hand over the entire sum to the national organizations. The reason, he said, is to reward the local chapters for their initiative and hard work. The apparatus of associations of immigrants from Eastern countries have become bloated because their officials have become active in politics; Western immigrant associations, though blessed with experienced leaders, have not been able to attract more than a quarter of recent settlers to their activities.

Meanwhile, The Post learned that Aliya figures published earlier this month by the Israel Aliya Centre in New York were inaccurate. Yehiel Leket, director of the centre, had claimed that North American immigrants increased during the first quarter of 1976 by 28 per cent over last year (418 people compared to 327). In fact, the number of immigrants increased by only 10 per cent during the first quarter, and the number of potential immigrants who registered with the Jewish Agency office in New York fell during that period by 4 per cent.

## Discharge grant

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

CONSCRIPTS WHO complete their term of military service should get a discharge grant of IL4,000 linked to the index for every year of service, and not a flat IL1,000 as they do now, Menachem Yehdi (Gahal) urged in a letter to Defence Minister Shimon Peres last week.

Yehdi said today's grant is an unrealistic sum, if it is meant to help the ex-soldier along on his first steps.

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## Giscard in trouble at home over Beirut troop proposal

By JACK MAURICE  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing yesterday tried to play down the scope of his offer to send French troops to Lebanon, which has turned out to be his most ill-received and badly timed diplomatic move since he took office two years ago.

Although Giscard chose his much-publicized visit to the U.S. to give his peace force proposal the widest international audience, his chief spokesman in Paris stressed that the initiative was far from new. Elysee Palace spokesman Xavier Gouyou-Beauchamp told reporters: "What President Giscard said had already been stated by Georges Gorse," Gorse, a veteran Middle East diplomat, has been entrusted with a peace mission to Lebanon. Gouyou-Beauchamp said that the French initiative depended on acceptance by the rival Christian and Moslem camps in Lebanon and on the approval of President-elect Elie Haddad.

Diehard Gaullist ex-premier Michel Debre, who has praised Giscard's move as being "on the right lines," is the only leading French political figure to support a venture which has been condemned by every faction in Lebanon and by the entire leftwing opposition in France.

Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand has denounced it as "an im-

provised proposal." The Communist politburo spokesman for foreign affairs, Jean Kanapa, said: "We refuse to let our country get involved in what could become a new version of the Vietnam war in the Middle East."

President Pompidou's former foreign minister Michel Jobert asked: "On whose behalf would we intervene in Lebanon? When facts give the answer it will be possible to gauge the rashness of this prospect and its consequences."

Influential "Le Monde," which usually espouses France's anti-Israel Middle East policy, summed up its disapproval of Giscard's brainwave under the headline "Lack of Preparation" in a front-page editorial.

"Le Monde" said: "The miscalculation probably lies in ignorance of the situation in Lebanon. Giscard d'Estaing hoped to balance the Syrian presence with a French presence, which, in principle, would have been less compromising, and thus seduce the Lebanese left which is opposed to Damascus."

"Le Monde" concluded: "As for Israel's reaction, it was badly reckoned as well. Giscard hoped Jerusalem would not be displeased to know that a 'moderating' influence was being added to that of Syria."

"But he overlooked that, in the eyes of Israel's leaders, France is in the Palestinian camp."



President Ford meets Indian chiefs in Pendleton, during his two-day campaign trip through Oregon. (UPI telephoto)

## Spotlight on Oregon in six primaries today

NEW YORK. — Six states hold presidential primary elections today, but the spotlight will be on Oregon, where Democrat Jimmy Carter faces his two late-blooming rivals and President Ford has his best chance of victory.

Carter, the frontrunner for the nomination with 741 delegates, is being challenged in Oregon by Idaho Senator Frank Church and California governor Edmund "Jerry" Brown Jr., both latecomers of the primary contests.

Church beat Carter in the Nebraska primary and Brown trounced him in Maryland. Carter needs a victory in Oregon to show that his campaign has not lost its magic and that he can win outside his native South.

Ford, who now leads Reagan 579-540 in the race for convention delegates, is expected to win in Oregon and may also pull out a victory in Tennessee.

But Reagan is favored in Idaho, Nevada, Arkansas and Kentucky, which also hold primaries today.

A total of 176 Republican and 191 Democratic delegates will be at stake in the six states. It takes 1,130 delegate votes to win the Republican nomination and 1,505 for the Democratic nomination.

Ford's Tennessee campaign manager, Senator Howard Baker, predicted on Sunday that his candidate would defeat Reagan in Tennessee and do "pretty darn well" in Kentucky.

Recent polls show Carter trailing Church in Idaho, Church's home state, and Brown in Nevada. The former Georgian is expected to win in Kentucky, Arkansas and Tennessee, with Oregon's outcome in doubt.

Carter, who cancelled plans for a weekend of rest in order to spend more time in Oregon, predicts he will emerge from today's balloting with an additional 100 delegates.

Brown entered the Oregon race too late to get on the ballot, so he has been asking supporters to write in his name today. Church has devoted much of his time and money to Oregon, which borders his native Idaho, and polls show him gaining on Carter.

Democratic representative Morris Udall is also on the ballot in all but Arkansas and Alabama governor George Wallace is running in all but the Oregon Democratic primary. However, neither is expected to do well.

During a campaign appearance in Eugene, Oregon, Reagan said the odds were against a victory for him in that state. The former California governor received an unfriendly reception on Sunday at Oregon state university, where hecklers interrupted his speech and demonstrators carried hostile signs.

Ford's campaign received a boost over the weekend when the President picked up 55 delegates in state conventions on Saturday to 14 for Reagan and received endorsements from 88 previously uncommitted members of the Pennsylvania delegation.

Meanwhile, New York State's delegation to the Republican national convention yesterday gave 119 of its 154 votes for President Ford, with Vice-President Nelson Rockefeller strongly urging support for Ford.

Republican state chairman Richard Rosenbaum reported the vote on the balloting, saying Ronald Reagan had retained his 18 votes. He said 15 delegates continued in their uncommitted status and two delegates were absent.

Rockefeller told reporters he had urged the delegation to support Ford's nomination because the President had "restored faith" in government, improved the economy and was moving toward "peace in the world."

(AP, UPI)

## 'Enough arms to destroy all Beirut'

BEIRUT. — Military experts here say the rockets and guns used in Lebanon's civil war have the power to reduce Beirut to the rubble of World War Two-bombing Berlin if fighting continues.

Leftist Moslem and right-wing Christian private armies in mid-city warfare are using the latest models of rockets and artillery produced by the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

One Palestinian said French, Swiss and Finnish rockets, mortars and anti-aircraft guns have also been in abundant use during the 13-month sectarian conflict that has taken 25,000 lives by official count.

The latest entries were the Soviet-made Katyusha and Grad rockets and the American-manufactured 155 mm howitzer cannons. They have reduced much of this once fun-loving Mediterranean capital into what a UN official described as "another Stalingrad."

Grads and Katyushas are mostly supplied to leftist militias by Yasser Arafat's Palestinian terrorists. Right-wingers say they bought much of their 155 mm American howitzers and shipped them in by sea. The rest came with renegade Christian officers from the nation's 18,000-man army.

The Grad is five metres long with a 63 cm. diameter. It weighs 75 kilos, including 30 kilos of explosives. It has a 15 km. range and destructive power that covers a circle 200 metres in diameter. Katyushas have half the Grad's size, range, and destructive power.

Lebanese army gunners say the American-made 155 mm howitzer in use here sends a 43-kilo shell with a timing device to a range of 15 km. The shell has the velocity to go through two apartment buildings in a row.

Both warring factions also are using anti-aircraft guns against high-rise apartments, hilltop positions and gunboats. These include American-made M-42s mounted on armoured vehicles. They can fire 240 one-kilo shells in a minute to a 1.5 km. range, Lebanese experts say.

Leftists exclusively use a Soviet version with a firing capacity of 800 small shells that can also be used to pierce armour, terrorists say. (AP)

## Pope makes Hanoi prelate a cardinal

VATICAN CITY. — Pope Paul VI yesterday named the archbishop of Hanoi, Joseph Marie Trinh-Nhu-Khue, 73, a cardinal. The prelate had arrived from North Vietnam the day before in his first trip out of that Communist nation in many years. Vatican sources said the Pontiff had delayed his announcement pending negotiations to have the Hanoi government grant the prelate permission to travel to Rome. (AP)

## K. repairs ties with Sweden

STOCKHOLM. — U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme yesterday went tactfully about the business of making their governments' friends again.

"It is a process of two governments shaking hands, not kissing," a Swedish foreign ministry official said.

After a decade of diplomatic warfare, based on his government's criticism of U.S. policy in Vietnam, Palme gave Kissinger the attention usually lavished only on a visiting president or prime minister.

Following Sunday's welcoming dinner hosted by Palme himself, he made Kissinger's Monday a day of morning private political talks.

a lunch given by King Carl Gustaf, an afternoon meeting with the kingdom's foreign and defence ministers, a nationally televised news conference and an evening banquet at the foreign ministry.

A foreign ministry spokesman, asked by reporters why Palme, who on his anti-American peace demonstrators himself, was acting to improve U.S.-Swedish relations, said, "Sweden wants normal relations with the great powers."

Kissinger will hold talks with James Callaghan in London tomorrow evening — their first meeting since the latter became prime minister last month. British officials said yesterday. (UPI, Reuters)

## Only U.S. opposed as Unesco raps Israel on areas

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco) accused Israel of denying Arabs in the administered territories their rights to education and culture, in a resolution debated by Unesco's executive board here yesterday.

The board, which represents 40 of Unesco's 120 member states, approved the resolution with 26 countries voting in favour, only the U.S. opposed, and 10 abstaining.

France, Belgium, Italy and Japan sided with the bloc of Arab and Communist states which drafted the resolution. Britain, West Germany,

Norway, Austria and Australia were among the abstainers.

The resolution accused Israel of hampering efforts by Unesco's director-general Amadou Mahtar Mbow to carry out a decision of the body's last general conference, two years ago, to exercise "full supervision" of schools and other cultural institutions in the administered territories.

Defending Israel's educational policy in the areas, Nafar Bar-Ya'acov of the Foreign Ministry said that almost 100 per cent of all school age children were enrolled in the schools of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

## 'King Solomon's mines found' — in Saudia

WASHINGTON. — The legendary King Solomon's mines, the lost board of gold mentioned in the Bible, may have been found in Saudi Arabia, the U.S. government said here.

American and Saudi geologists working in a mountainous region between the cities of Mecca and Medina known as Mahd Adh Dhabab — cradle of gold — say they have found evidence that a long-abandoned mine was probably Ophir, the mine that sustained Solomon's wealth.

According to the Bible, about 34 tons of gold was brought to Jerusalem from Ophir by workers in Solomon's kingdom of Israel nearly 3,000 years ago.

News of the find was announced by the department of the interior, which administers the U.S. Geological Survey.

Dr. Robert Luce, a geologist with the Survey who was part of the American-Saudi team, said: "Our investigations have now confirmed that the old mine could have been as rich as described in Biblical accounts and, indeed, is a logical candidate to be the lost Ophir."

He added: "We believe that the legendary King Solomon's lost mines are no longer lost."

USGS scientists, who sampled and analysed bits of the one million tons of mining waste found at the site, have estimated that it once contained easily-mined surface deposits

of gold nuggets, wires and crystals, and gold-bearing quartz veins that could be mined with crude copper and stone tools. Thousands of stone hammers and grindstones have been found at the site.

The scientists also pointed out that the area lies on a natural trade route, some 850 km. from the port of Aden which was used by Solomon's ships — a long, but feasible journey.

The survey announcement said Solomon's mines may come to life again, for they still contain workable deposits of gold, silver and other metals, and the Saudi Arabian government is considering a mining company application to explore the area. (Reuters)

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## GLANCE AT THE WORLD

### Egypt razing Bar-Lev line

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The Bar-Lev line was stormed by waves of Egyptian soldiers weapons who crossed within hours — while the strongholds, manned by a few hundred troops.

A Canal Authority spokesman said Egyptian firms contractor ready the canal embankments for a six-year widening-and-deepening operation have cleared nearly 30 million cubic metres of sand about half the required amount, in the past year.

### Japan ratifies nuclear ban treaty

TOKYO. — Japan's Diet (parliament) yesterday ratified the national treaty against nuclear proliferation, while angry protesters carrying wooden poles tried to storm the parliament building.

Conservative "hawks" from Premier Takeo Miki's ruling Liberal Democratic Party boycotted the vote, including General Miki Gendo, who was in charge of staff planning for Japan's 1941 attack on Pearl Harbour that brought the U.S. into World War II.

The bill makes Japan, the only nation ever to suffer atomic being in war, the 96th country to ratify the treaty.

### Dubcek working as forester

MUNICH. — Former Czech Premier Alexander Dubcek, who was in from power during the 1968 Soviet invasion of his country, is reportedly working as a forest administration employee under 24-hour guard by 16 state security police.

This was reported yesterday by the Munich-based Czechoslovak Friendship Society, which also announced the release from a prison of Dubcek-supporter Hubert Stein, Stein, who had served years on a charge of espionage, was released after the Society appealed to Dutch Prime Minister Joop Den Uyl to intercede on Stein's behalf.

### \$14,000 a year for 'after-hours aid'



WASHINGTON. — Wayne B. Hays, 64-year-old head of the H. of Representatives Administration Committee, denied accusations by the "Washington Post" yesterday that he was keeping a woman on his staff to act as mistress.

The newspaper named a woman as Elizabeth Ray, 27, former airline hostess, and she received \$14,000 a year, public money.

The newspaper said she claimed Hays had sexual relations with her once or twice a week. It quoted her as saying: "I type, I can't file, I can't answer the phone."

### Denktash ready to meet Makarios

NICOSIA. — Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash said yesterday he was willing to meet President Makarios "on a basis of equality, a neutral place" to discuss a settlement of the Cyprus question, added that President Makarios must hurry and reach a settlement with Greek Cypriot refugees were to be allowed to return home the Turkish-held north of the island.

Last week Makarios signified his willingness to meet the Tur Cypriot leadership.

### '10,000 purged in Albania'

BELGRADE. — More than 10,000 persons, including top Communist leaders and government officials, have been placed in detention in villages as part of a purge which is sweeping Albania, according to Western diplomatic sources.

"Paranoia is running rampant in Albania," one source said. "I is no clue to the motive or what they are trying to accomplish, purge is feeding on itself — people panic and begin turning other in."

### 23,000 quake deaths this year

WASHINGTON. — Almost 23,000 persons have perished in 18 earthquakes around the world so far this year, but scientists say number of earthquakes is not unusual. Only five of the 18 have been classified as "major" earthquakes according to Waverly Person geophysicist in the U.S. Geological Survey's National Earthquake Information Service at Golden, Colorado.

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## THE FIFTH PAGE

A THEATRE ensemble going on tour is nothing new — but one bringing its own audience with it from Germany to Israel is an unlikely novelty.

Yet that is exactly what the Pocket Theatre of Ulm, which bills itself as Germany's smallest theatre, has done. Under the guidance of its cheerful and energetic director Theodor Dentler, the group has just completed a two-week tour of Israel, to which in addition to its own stage sets it also brought a captive audience of 60 tourist-spectators.

The Dentlers founded their little (80-seat) theatre in Ulm 25 years ago. They go in for experimental plays and their three-weekly performances include works by Brecht, Sartre, Beckett and Ionesco, among others. Shunning the classics, the theatre prefers *zeitgeistliche* pieces, that is contemporary criticism. It also includes the occasional "Aktion," or U.S.-style happening.

Theodor Dentler is the group's head and main actor. The seven-member ensemble also includes his wife and his eldest son. "We're a team, you might even call us a theatre-kibbutz," he told *The Jerusalem Post* last week. "We all help moving stage sets, sew costumes, take tickets, clean up our own theatre, including the rest rooms," he said, dramatizing his words with vivid gestures.

Whenever possible, Dentler tries to involve his audience in his plays. "When a play opens up a new world to a spectator, it helps him at the same time to a better understanding of his own world," he said.

It was in this spirit that the Dentlers, while on their first visit to Israel in January, conceived the idea of coming here with their troupe, and, if possible, their own audience. Newspaper and television advertising brought them a surprising 60 applications from people from all parts of Germany, willing to sign up for a two-week tour of Israel under the auspices of the Ulm Pocket Theatre.

## By Ernie Meyer / Jerusalem Post Reporter

# Germany's smallest theatre brings its own audience



Theodor Dentler of the Ulm Pocket Theatre.

"One of the main aims of our theatre is to bring people closer together. Now we were going to attempt to use the stage to create

closer contacts between Germans and Israelis," Dentler said. For his programme here Dentler chose a more or less conventional

comedy, "Do you know the 'Milky Way' by Karl Wittlinger. I did this, rather than choosing a more experimental play, to make sure of establishing contact with the German-speaking audience in Israel, which is mostly middle-aged or more," he said.

The guests gave four performances to packed audiences at Tel Aviv's ZOA-House and Haifa's Beitenu hall. Due to poor advance publicity the performance in Jerusalem's Binyanei Ha'Ooma (small hall) was less well attended.

Naturally, the imported guest audience could only be expected to see the same play once. After this performance Dentler tried — successfully — to get them involved with the Israeli audience. "Contact between our actors and Israeli audiences were excellent at all times," he said.

While the 60 visitors went on conventional tours of the country, Dentler also tried to make them "experience" Israel in unconventional ways. His plans included sending his wards to observe emotional scenes as newcomers are greeted in Ben-Gurion Airport's passenger hall, as well as to Lilienblum Street with a 100-Mark note to hand. The visitors were guided to eat out and evaluate these experiences later on. "From the outset of our theatre tour we enrolled our 'guests' as actors and challenged them to experience their trip with the eyes and the ears of an artist," Dentler said.

To keep the tour to the advertised (low) price of DM 1,320 (about IL4,000) the group had to fly Jordan's Alia airline and enter Israel from Amman via Allenby Bridge. The venture received some subsidies from German cultural institutions. "We did not make any profit, but we already have about a hundred applications for another tour, perhaps in the autumn," Dentler said enthusiastically. Here, clearly, is an actor, who in addition to purveying illusions of reality on the stage, is creating his own realities.



Through the Looking Glass / Joanna Yehiel

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Most Jerusalemites know of their Turkish bath, where the outside walls are two metres thick, the ceilings are arched, and best of all, the cupolaed sun roof is hidden from outside gaze, and you can lounge there paked, surrounded by oranges, cigarettes, paperback books, and have a lazy conversation with your (also naked) friends, or simply try and lose your bikini tide-mark.

For IL41 per person, you can stay from opening time at 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. closing — if you can stand the heat. Downstairs, there are soft drinks to be bought; there is an inside rest-room, too, with carpet-covered divans ranged around the walls, where you recline, casually covered by a towel in poses reminiscent of engravings of Arab harems (why, I wonder, is there a tradition here of covering oneself with a towel inside, and not on the roof?).

Apart from the roof, the true *kaffes klatsch* takes place in the room beside the hottest steam room, where marble couches and seats around the walls give Jerusalem's older women a chance to rest their aching feet and indulge in a detailed discussion of their sores. In this room, you can wash your hair in peace, or even henna it if you like, then go up to the hairdryers, or have a complete shampoo and set by a stylist. Or, if you want, you can have a massage.

This is one of the few places I've come across in Israel where you can get a massage without paying the earth or finding that it is really a

"men only" service on the lines advertised in the personal columns of the newspapers.

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If you have a choice, try to go early in the day — not only does the place get crowded towards evening, it also gets progressively less clean as various bodies get a thorough cleansing.

Women's days are Mondays and Wednesdays. Men's are Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

IF YOU CAN afford it — the Jerusalem Hilton does massage by appointment for \$10, or the equivalent in Israeli money. And for Tel Aviv health addicts, the Hilton there has a full-scale health club, for use of members and guests, including sauna, steam bath, cold water, pool, gymnasium and massage.

Of course, if you feel millionaire-like, you can have your own private sauna in the royal suites of the Jerusalem Hilton. Cost (per night) — a mere \$250!

By Lea Levavi / Jerusalem Post Reporter

## Israel-U.S. student exchange starts

AFTER TEN YEARS of negotiations, Israeli high school students will finally be participating in an exchange programme sponsored by the American Field Service. These exchanges are usually for a year, Stephen Rhinesmith, the 33-year-old president of the organization explained to me recently, a few hours before the end of his hectic four-day visit here. "That was one of the reasons it took us so long to get established here. Though American students who go abroad do it in their junior or senior year and get credit for it, most of the foreign students who come to the U.S. have to do so only after they finish their own high school matriculation. Here, because of army service, the youngsters don't have a year to spare after high school."

A compromise was finally reached under which Israeli students will go abroad for six months only. The first visiting group is scheduled to come next month.

During his four-day visit, Mr. Rhinesmith found many volunteers interested in working with the project: in screening Israeli students, finding families to host American students and serving as host families themselves.

"In all my travels around the world, I have never seen such instant volunteer spirit. Usually, when you come on official business you are treated well by officials but don't get to see the people. Here, I must have had coffee with six different families up North one day and in Tel Aviv I was invited to dinner in a different Israeli home each evening."

Mr. Rhinesmith, who himself was

an A.F.S. exchange student in Germany in 1960, sees the programme as a rewarding undertaking not only for the students but for the host families.

"To take a foreign child into your home and treat him or her as your own is quite an experience." THERE IS, of course, the danger that Israeli high school students exposed to American life will be more predisposed to "yirida" (emigration from Israel). Mr. Rhinesmith points out, though, that only about one per cent of the 50,000 foreign students hosted by A.F.S. over the past 30 years have settled in the U.S. The organization has an agreement with the U.S. government by which every foreign A.F.S. exchange student must go back to his own country for two years after the programme, and cannot get a visa to return to the States until that two-year period is over.

"That gives them enough time to put their year in the States into proper perspective. As it usually happens, the year abroad only makes them more committed to their own country."

Over the years, A.F.S. has worked in as many as 81 countries, and though a non-political organization, is sometimes caught in political cross-fire. For example, if a country breaks off diplomatic relations with the U.S., there is difficulty in getting visas. The programme in Lebanon had to be curtailed this year because of the unrest there.

"We are now operating in Jordan and hope soon to resume in Egypt. I don't think our coming into Israel will cause any problems in those countries. But in the event that it

should, we do not let anyone blackmail us and any Arab country which should decide to pull out of the programme in protest will be let go."

THE PROGRAMME will not cost the Israeli Government anything but parents of Israeli participants will be asked to pay whatever they can. The rest of the cost is covered by A.F.S.'s own fund-raising. The volunteer representative of A.F.S. here will be Nathan Wolloch, a Tel Aviv city councillor who serves in a similar capacity for the Experiment in International Living — an organization fostering exchange visits by young adults. An office with a small paid staff will soon be set up, as will volunteer committees on national and local levels.

The first group of Israelis to go abroad will include 15 to 20 students, while five to ten Americans will come here for a two-and-a-half-month summer programme. It is hoped that the programme will soon be expanded, both in numbers of participants and duration of visits. The A.F.S. also has a small programme of exchanges between countries other than the U.S. and it is hoped that Israeli youngsters will soon have the opportunity to visit European, Latin American, or Asian countries in this way.

"Most of the youngsters coming here will not be Jewish and most of the Israelis going abroad will be living in non-Jewish homes there. This, I think, is very important," Rhinesmith stressed.

Until the local A.F.S. office is opened, anyone interested in further information may call Nathan Wolloch at his office, 03-263221.

## Mrs. Rabbi

HADASSAH BAT HAIM  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ENGLAND'S FIRST fully ordained Jewish woman minister of religion, Rabbi Mrs. Jacqueline Tabik has just been on her third visit to Israel.

As the only female student at the Leo Baeck Rabbinical College she was at first looked upon as something of a curiosity but her serious application to her studies and her deep religious feelings soon earned the respect of students and instructors alike. Though very young, not yet 27, Rabbi Mrs. Tabik holds a responsible position at the Great Portland St. Reform Synagogue in London, where she is head of the religion school. She gives sermons from the pulpit, but although qualified to lead the congregation in all rituals, is not yet allowed to solemnize weddings or officiate at funerals. The Synagogue's council feel that though the time may come when all the functions of a rabbi will be open to her it is as well to introduce innovations with great caution.

Rabbi Tabik herself is not anxious to make headlines as an originator. She likes to remain as inconspicuous as possible though in the light of her unique achievements this is not always easy. After her ordination last year she was named one of the Women of the Year. She also married a fellow student who will be qualified till next year, when they hope to be able to work together.

Coming to Israel, apart from visiting her family in Nabariya, is a great refreshment for her spirit and she hopes to come frequently. During her stay she made a point of picking up many aids for her school, such as games in easy Hebrew, letter blocks and toy printing sets.

## Rolling Stones' sellout return

LONDON — Mick Jagger swung across a tulip-shaped stage like a skinny Tarzan, strutted like the Nureyev of rock'n'roll, then threw buckets of water on a screaming audience at the Rolling Stones' sellout show here last Friday night.

The "Stones" were back in town for the first time in three years. It was just like old times, before the raunchy band went into exile in France to beat the taxman.

Guitarist Keith Richards, 33, was arrested on Thursday after a car crash and held on suspicion of drug possession. Guitarist Ronnie Wood was sued on Friday by a management company who claimed he broke a contract with them when he joined the Stones. A high court judge

froze his money from the band's six London shows until the case is settled.

Scalpers made a killing among youngsters who came from all over the country hoping to get in. Some said they paid 80 dollars for a 3.60-dollar ticket. More than one million fans applied for the 100,000 mail-only tickets available for the six London shows.

Friday's show was hailed by critics as a triumphant return for the band. Pauline McLeod wrote in the mass-circulation "Daily Mirror": "They were totally outrageous, utterly dynamic. They were charged with so much energy that Jagger alone could feed the national grid for a week."



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"NECESSITY is not the mother of invention. It has been aesthetic curiosity and not technological necessity which led to new discoveries." This phrase, which goes against the grain of long-held popular opinion expressed in the original proverb, is the conclusion of M.I.T. Professor Cyril Stanley Smith, after 40 years of study of the history of metallurgy and technology.

Professor Smith, who is presently here as a guest of the Technion for the Jacob Kurtz Memorial Lecture in Materials, told *The Jerusalem Post* that his long and exhaustive studies have led him to the conviction that throughout history almost all new metals and alloys were first used for creating jewellery, sculpture and decorations, and not for making tools or utensils. He cites a list to prove his point:

"The first evidence of iron ore appears in cave paintings, used by prehistoric man for its pleasant colour and not for its metallic potential. The first metallic copper was used for making necklaces. Metal casting was invented for making statues; the first welding was done to enable an artist to put together bigger sculptures. The first commercial electric generator was used for electro-plating and making plates for printing pictures. A French gardener, intent on making a bigger flower pot, invented reinforced concrete. The idea of a mill for rolling steel was taken from the one used to make lead strips for stained glass windows," he noted.

However, the historic roles of the artist as the inventor and the scientist as the adapter and developer

## Technology and art

By Ya'acov Friedler / Jerusalem Post Reporter



Cyril Stanley Smith

changed towards the end of the last century. Today, most new technological developments come from scientists or technologists. This, he believes, may be due to the fact that in the past it was the artist who had the patrons willing to pay for the aesthetic striving that led to

inventions which embellished the arts.

But during the past hundred years or so, a situation developed where "it was found that worthwhile discoveries meant money and prestige. Since then, most discoveries have come without aesthetic aim, from the scientists."

Nevertheless, he adds, "in the final analysis, the scientist in his laboratory undergoes an acute aesthetic experience, though the papers they publish on their work rarely reflect this."

BORN IN Birmingham, England, 72 years ago, Prof. Smith moved to the U.S. after university to do graduate work. He then spent 15 years in practical metallurgical work, doing industrial research for the American Brass Company. During the Second World War, he worked on plutonium metallurgy at the Los Alamos Laboratory and afterwards started an academic career, founding and directing the Institute for the Study of Metals, at the University of Chicago.

When he married historian Alice Kimball Smith in 1931, he took up the study of the history of metals as a hobby. But it was only after he went to M.I.T. in 1951 that it became his full time career, his third. He has published a large number of papers.

THE TIMETABLES OF HISTORY, a best-seller in its original German, has now been translated into English. It presents a year-by-year account of politics, science, culture and daily customs (in seven parallel columns), starting from the well-known Dawn of Time. It is a leading candidate for most useless book of the year, but the perspectives are fascinating.

Life remained boring, on the whole, until quite recent times. This is the 500th anniversary of 1476, for example, when absolutely nothing happened. One rather doubts that people alive in that year would have agreed. On the other hand, would a revision of the work published after half a millennium find anything worth recording for 1976?

Almost 600 pages of this is an indigestible lump, but dipping in at century intervals gives an extraordinary feel for the pace of change. It is, for example, 2500 years since the end of the last dynasty of Pharaohs in Egypt, but only 1500 years since the end of the Roman Empire in the West. A thousand years ago, all the entries are about China, the Moslem world and Byzantium, while the barbaric Christian West gets scarcely a mention.

When Europe does get mentioned, it is to record the imperishable fact

## Timetables of History

By Gwynne Dyer / Special to The Jerusalem Post

that Charles the Fat became Emperor in 876, or that Henry the Quarrelsome lost the throne of Bavaria in 976. (What became of Odo the Insouciant is, naturally enough, not recorded.) Meanwhile, Arab scientists and philosophers were creating the Moorish Golden Age in Spain, and Basil the Bulgar-Slayer mounted the throne in Constantinople.

Things carry on like this, going nowhere in particular, until recent centuries. In 1176 Saladin conquered Syria and the Welsh held the first Elisteddod. In 1276 there were four popes, in 1376 the Black Prince died, and 1476, as has already been mentioned, was cancelled entirely due to lack of interest.

Then quite suddenly, four centuries ago, the random movements stop and the signs of cumulative development — "progress" — begin to multiply. In 1576 Francois Viete is introducing decimal fractions to

plague yet-unborn generations of schoolchildren, the first playhouse opens in London, Martin Frobenius discovers the bay of the same name in what is now the Canadian Arctic, and the Poles found the University of Warsaw. There is a great deal of religious warfare in Europe — the Spaniards sack Antwerp for failing to be Catholic, for example — but there was also the Edict of Beaulieu, establishing religious toleration in France.

IN 1776 the world is taking on a form quite recognisable today. Potemkin founds the Russian Black Sea Fleet, the Portuguese colonies in South America are unified under Rio de Janeiro, Adam Smith is founding the dismal science of economics, Goethe and Mozart are both writing furiously, and the Norwegians, we learn with some dismay, have introduced military skiing competitions. Edward Gibbon publishes "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire", and a new imperial republic emerges on the western shores of the North Atlantic.

and has been a member of the U.S. President's Science Advisory Committee, the General Advisory Committee to the Atomic Energy Commission and the Smithsonian Council.

Prof. Smith, the historian looking to the future, pleads that scientists must once again "consider the whole picture" and not specialize on a single facet. "Until this century, it was the practical man who told the scientist what he should be looking for. Since then scientists have tended to concentrate on one particular part of a complex system, whereas the practical man must continue to consider the whole."

He therefore considers it extremely important, "especially in a country like Israel," for scientists not to lose sight of the connection between pure science and industry, where the practical man works. "Contact with the practical problems of industry and agriculture will stimulate new patterns of scientific thinking at the same time it assists national development," says Prof. Smith.

The Jacob Kurtz Lectureship was established at M.I.T. and the Technion, by the Kurtz family, to facilitate the exchange of scientists in the field of materials between the two institutions. The project commemorates Jacob Kurtz, who was founder chairman of the Kullite Tungsten and Semiconductor Products Corporation of New Jersey. Born in Poland, he grew up in the U.S. and, after graduating university, became a specialist in tungsten and power metallurgy and an early developer of radio and electronic materials. He held over 30 patents in his field.



The playing hall at the Nof Hotel, Haifa, where the national chess championship is taking place. (Yitzhak Ben Nun)

## TENSE CHESS TOURNEY

By Eliahu Shahaf / Jerusalem Post Chess Reporter

LEADING the field in the national chess championship, now taking place in Haifa, are Moshe Czerniak and Meir Rom.

International Master Czerniak, 66, was the first national champion (in 1936) and is the oldest of the 16 competitors. Senior Master Rom has been known as a steady player ever since he participated in the 1959 Defence Forces championship and missed the title by a narrow margin. His tournament achievements since all speak for a growing player who has carved out a niche for himself among Israel's outstanding chess players of the rising generation, even though, at 37, he is not exactly a junior. Above all, Rom is a product of the Haifa chess greenhouse which produced such outstanding players as Ya'acov Bleiman, Malkiel Peretz, Reuven Minkler and many others.

What is more surprising, however, is that Moshe Czerniak, at an age at which most players have long abandoned tournaments still plays with a zest which can be envied by many players a third his age. The veteran international master went through unbeaten as far as the ninth round, and only mental fatigue after several hours of play made him resign in his game against Minkler.

Former Israel champion Shimon Kagan looks as if he is making a serious bid to recapture the title.

Three other players at the top of the table are worth mentioning: International Master Yitzhak Radaahovich, 28, who strengthened his reputation as one of Israel's leading players; Malkiel Peretz, 33, more than once a serious aspirant to the national title; and Victor Manejevich, 42, one of the top players among the new Russian settlers.

It would take too long to dwell on the results of each and every one of the 16 participants, but it can be generally said that the younger generation has not disappointed, that there are no outsiders in this tournament and no dull games. True, some of the big names (including title holder Vladimir Liberson) are missing. But the 1976 championship is no doubt one of the most interesting and tense in the history of Israel's chess life.

In the women's games matters looked simpler. One can hardly doubt that either title holder Olga Podarjanskaya or Lea Nudelmann, both newcomers from the Soviet Union, will snatch the title.

## Wine frauds worry Europe

By DAVID HAWORTH

BRUSSELS. — FRENCH WINE FRAUDS are again causing anxiety among European Commission officials who fear that far from being an exception, the sort of abuses which were uncovered last year in the notorious Bordeaux wine case are becoming a general rule. In the aftermath of the wine growers' riots in the south of France early last month when two people were killed, it is becoming clear there is widespread fraud in French wine production.

Even the French Agriculture Minister has been obliged to admit publicly that fraud in the wine trade is increasing. All the complacent assumptions which wine drinkers around the world have traditionally made about French wines are now being challenged by the French themselves.

This is far from saying the French wines no longer retain their pre-eminence internationally and aren't easily the most saleable wine on the world market, but it is clear that the French themselves and certainly the European Commission will have to be much more conscious in policing this sector of agriculture. The French because they have a reputation to maintain and the Commission because it cannot afford to keep investing too much money in bad wine.

Some of the evidence given at the Narbonne inquiry suggests that the existing French wine laws were fully applied approximately 70 per cent of wine sold in France would never be allowed to reach the shops. EEC officials feel this is probably an exaggeration, but it has certainly made them revise some of their views about French wine. In the past their suspicions have been chiefly engaged by Italian wine frauds which have assumed spectacular proportions in recent years.

The EEC is taking a special interest in some tricks of the trade which are now, allegedly, commonplace in France. They are enough to make a wine drinker grieve, and certainly explain why some hangovers may be particularly acute.

They include the labelling of wine from Algeria and Italy as French produce and the colouring of white wine to make it red. Sulphuric acid is also being illegally used to neutralise the sour taste of some preservatives which have, just as legally, been put into some wine. And there is the illegitimate mixing of different appellations which is then passed off as just one authentic appellation.

It is a sad story and the continuing investigations are expected to uncover some more instances of this sort. It remains to be seen what, very much, can be done by the EEC authorities. The Commission has a fraud-fighting squad of experts. But it is pitifully small. (Oph)

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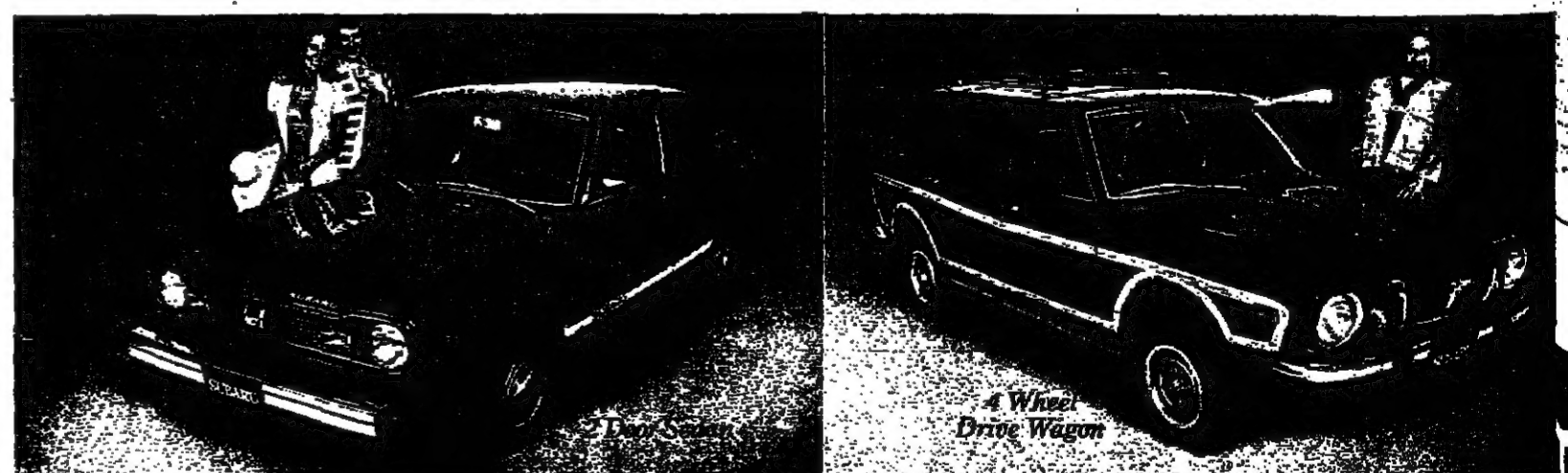
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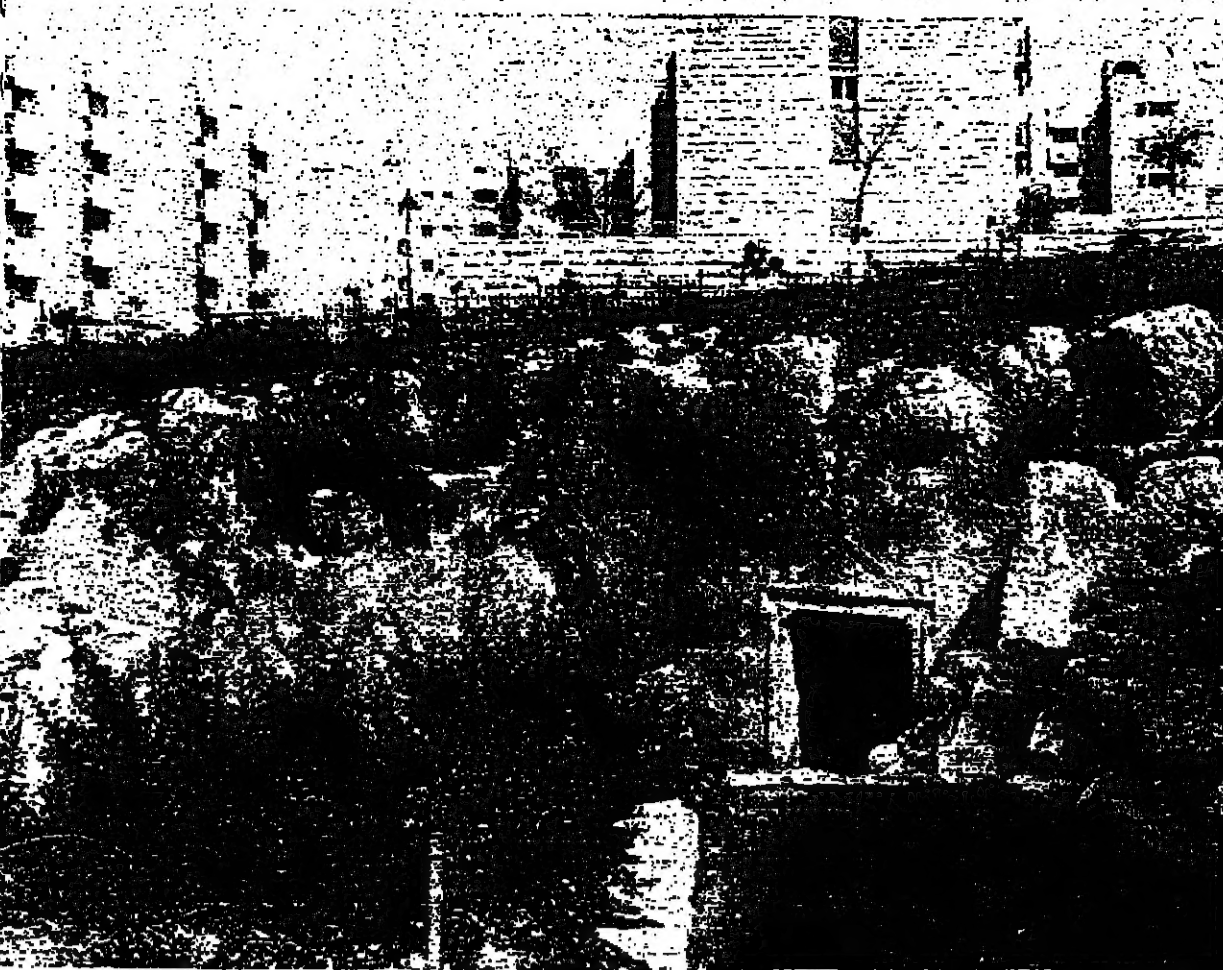
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The apartments of Ramat Eshkol tower over the cave of the Grape Clusters.

## Ramat Eshkol's Hasmonean tomb

IN THE HEART of the residential district of Ramat Eshkol is Ma'arat Ha'Eshkolot — the Cave of the Grape Clusters. With the co-operation of the Government Department of Antiquities and Museums, the Jerusalem Municipality, the Ministry of Housing and the giant construction firm of Solel Boneh, it has become the focal point of north-eastern Jerusalem's public gardens, serving Ramat Eshkol and Greater Sanhedria residents.

Ma'arat Ha'Eshkolot is easily reached by turning into Rehov Di Zahav between numbers five and seven Ramat Ha'Golan in Ramat Eshkol, then bearing right to the end of the parking lot. Here steps lead down into the gardens, where you see a children's playground on your right, while to the left, irregular stairs descend to the rock-cut, seven-metre square forecourt of the majestic Second Temple tomb complex known as the Cave of the Grape Clusters.

Looking around, you can discern traces of the ancient benches which once lined the forecourt — very similar to those in the courtyards of the imposing Tombs of the Judges in Sanhedria, about 500 metres away. At the foot of a sheer rock-face is the tomb's facade, with its triangular pediment crowned by a pointed flange and two side finials. Delicately chiselled with a design of grape clusters, wreaths and pomegranates around a central rosette, the pediment is framed by lines of crenellations called "dentils" which also run along the lintel. Parallel to the lower line is a row of classic "egg" ornamentation.

Closer inspection reveals that the portal measures some three metres in height and over two metres in width, with 80 centimetre-wide door jambs. A rare — possibly unique — feature is the carved soffits, the un-

By SYLVIA MANN  
Special to The Jerusalem Post

der-side of the lintel, its three panels decorated with floral and geometric patterns. Finish and detail emphasise the expert craftsmanship of the stone masons of 2,000 years ago.

At the moment the entrance is closed by an iron gate, but peering into the inner vestibule, now being cleared by the Department of Antiquities, you can see signs of finely worked cornices. Rock-bewn rectangular apertures lead off to the left with an intriguing promise of reaching, like in the Sanhedria burial caves, a maze of subterranean rooms and corridors.

Ma'arat Ha'Eshkolot was first discovered at the end of last century. A full contemporary report by R.A.S. Macalister appeared in the Palestine Exploration Fund Statement of 1900, page 35. He gives a detailed description, with exact measurements, of the Cave of the Grape Clusters, which was then completely excavated. Apparently it had been broken into and robbed in earlier times, for no pottery, articles of value or inscriptions were found — nothing but scattered fragments of ornamental sarcophagi were strewn about.

Macalister gives a diagram of the interior of the mausoleum. From the vestibule — the only section visible today — a central chamber about five metres square is reached. North, east and south walls are burial vaults, each with three kokhim, or loculi, tunnelled into each of their three sides.

Although all three burial vaults are similar, certain differences exist, for in the northern chamber — to the left of the central room — stone benches edge the walls. To the left of

the entry into this chamber and above that of the next crosses are carved, indicating that the complex was used at various periods by Christians.

IT IS ONE OPINION that the Second Temple sepulchre of Ma'arat Ha'Eshkolot was constructed for a wealthy Hasmonean family in the second or first century BCE, and in all probability was in use throughout Herodian times until Jerusalem fell to the Romans in 70 CE. Later, it may well have provided monastic cells for solitary monks as well as a place for Christian burial, as the crosses suggest. Blocks of stone found inside seem to have been quarried as building material, while plaster traces indicate that the central inner court had at some time acted as a water storage cistern.

Across the centuries, earth and debris gradually covered the beautiful carvings and filled in the hollow crypts, until one day in 1898 a shepherd noticed the flare-like finials of the decorated pediment showing above the soil level. Great interest was aroused. Reports were made and recorded; and it was then decided to cover this historic site to prevent damage and misuse.

After the Six Day War of 1967, steps were taken to reopen the cave and incorporate it into a public garden. So far only the forecourt — where pottery shards from the medieval and Turkish eras were discovered — and the vestibule have been cleared, but its lovely facade adds an unusual and meaningful dimension to one of Jerusalem's newest suburbs. By a happy coincidence, this suburb commemorates Israel's third prime minister, Levi Eshkol, in office during the fateful summer of 1967, whose name is the same as that of the Ma'arat Ha'Eshkolot of our Hasmonean and Herodian forefathers.

HER MOTHER received the Order of the Jordan Star from King Hussein, the only woman chosen for this honour. Tomorrow Anna Grace Vester Lind will accept the honour of "Distinguished Citizen of Jerusalem" from Mayor Teddy Kollek in the presence of President Katsir. There is no contradiction between the two awards, as both were made for service to the Arab children of East Jerusalem.

The remarkable point is that three generations of women are involved in this Jerusalem pattern. Here is Mrs. Lind's grandmother, speaking 81 years ago, almost to the day:

"The changes in Jerusalem are wonderful! Ten years ago there were only 4,000 Jews in Jerusalem. Now there are 40,000, and they are building outside the city walls... Anna Spafford was testifying in court, and her words were reported by the "Chicago Daily News" of May 14, 1895. Explaining why her American Protestant family had moved to Jerusalem 14 years earlier, she said: "We wished to be there when God brought the Jews back."

In today's troubled atmosphere, the Municipality's decision to honour Mrs. Lind reflects the unity of Jerusalem as the undivided capital of Israel, and also as a city central to three faiths. The institution she directs — the Spafford Children's Centre in the Old City — is dedicated solely to the welfare of Arab children, and has cared for thousands each year for over half a century.

Its staff is directed by an Arab doctor, and the nurses and technicians are Arab and Armenian. But five Jewish doctors from West Jerusalem hospitals hold specialised clinics on a regular schedule, and on a volunteer basis. One of them, Dr. Hanna Leszynsky of Bikur Holim, saw her first patient at the Spafford Centre on July 6, 1967.

Long before then — in 1925, when the project started — Dr. Helena Kagan, Israel's first pediatrician, began caring for Arab babies at the Spafford establishment. She continued to do so for over 23 years, until the British insisted she was no longer safe from Arab violence in the Old City. As would be obvious to anyone who knows her, Dr. Kagan was the first civilian to visit the Spafford Centre after the Six Day War.

Foreign journalists and medical investigators — not to mention Israelis — may wish to note the close working relationship between the Centre and Shaare Zedek Hospital, which takes patients at special rates. Dr. S. Freier, head of Shaare Zedek's Pediatrics department, is one of the specialists who holds a weekly clinic at the Spafford Centre.

The others are Drs. Dorman, Robinson, Amir and Leszynsky. On behalf of the Arab population, the Centre also cooperates fully with the Ministry of Health and is always available for special emergencies. For instance, when a minor polio epidemic broke out in Gaza and the Israeli authorities encouraged general immunization, the Centre's nurses were asked to help, and extra volunteers coped with the extra pressure.

"I never intended to do anything like this work. I inherited it," Mrs. Lind told The Post recently. In a report on the institution's work, she has written, "We continue to serve the people of Jerusalem, probably in a different way from our grand parents, but with the same concern, compassion, and love."

THIS LEADS BACK to the links in the strange saga of an American family which a chain of events brought to Jerusalem nearly a century ago, and illuminates the

## A tradition of service

By Helga Dudman / Jerusalem Post Reporter

differences in which three generations react to changing historical and personal circumstances. The Spafford Children's Centre, founded as an emergency Baby Home in 1925 by Mrs. Lind's mother, Bertha Vester, was named in memory of Mrs. Lind's grandmother, Anna Spafford, who had died in Jerusalem two years earlier. Mrs. Spafford, with her husband Horatio and two baby girls, came here to await the return of the Jews and the End of Days — and because the couple had lost five of their own children. The Centre is one of two existing offshoots of the Spafford family's "American presence in the Holy Land." The other is the American Colony Hotel in East Jerusalem, managed by Mrs. Lind's brother Horatio Vester.

Mrs. Lind was born in the same house in the Old City, built right on the wall between Damascus Gate and Herod's Gate, in which she lives and works today. It is the same house to which her mother was brought from Chicago as a two-year-old baby in 1881; the same house in which Anna Spafford set up housekeeping with a curious little girl that developed into a community or, as Horatio Vester is fond of putting it, "the first kibbutz in Israel" — the American Colony. Anna Grace was the first baby born in the community. Marriage was strictly prohibited until her mother, a determined woman, and unlike her mother, more practical than mystical, had the doctrine reversed and married Frederick Vester, born in Jerusalem in 1889 to German-Swiss missionary parents.

"Never had such a baby been born, we thought — a veritable little princess," a former Colony member wrote years later of "this wonderful event." The writer, one of the Swedish contingent at the Colony, became the sworn enemy of Bertha Vester: even in Early-Christian-style communities, not all is always harmony, especially when two dominant women compete for leadership.

During the Mandate, the Colony enjoyed colonial graciousness and distinguished visitors. Sir Ronald Storrs, Governor of Jerusalem, was "Uncle Ronald" to the Vester children (four girls, two boys, all born less than two years apart) who played football with him on Saturdays — the girls too. But at parties the Vester girls were radiantly beautiful: "like flowers," as a veteran Jerusalemite has put it.

Anna Grace, sunny, gay, brimming with life, attended the English Girls' College in Jerusalem. "Mother felt we should speak English properly, so as a result we're rather poor at languages." But she has of course spoken Arabic since childhood — and studied Hebrew at the Ecce Homo ulpan. She spent 15 years in America, following marriage to a Swedish member of the Colony; they were later divorced. During World War II, in America, Mrs. Lind worked for the U.S. Navy. She has two sons and five grandchildren, abroad.

In 1952 her mother asked her to

return to Jerusalem. The American Colony Hotel had been badly damaged in the War of Independence; Mrs. Lind took over, supervised repairs, installed central heating and adequate plumbing. Eleven years later her brother Horatio, a successful barrister in London, also answered his mother's call and returned to take over the hotel from his brother John. Anna Grace moved to the Children's Hospital, into which the Baby Home had by then developed — the only children's hospital in East Jerusalem, and serving the West Bank as well. That year, 1963, her sister, Frieda Ward, a trained nurse, took charge. Mrs. Ward left Jerusalem in 1973 and Mrs. Lind has directed it since then.

### DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN OF JERUSALEM



Anna Grace Vester Lind

THE EVOLUTION of the Spafford children's project, begun in legendary fashion one Christmas Eve for one sick Arab baby, has been determined by changing conditions. When Jerusalem was unified in 1967, it became clear that unaccustomedly high medical standards were suddenly available to the Arab population in Jewish Hospitals. After much thought and in consultation with Professor Alexander Russell of Hadassah and the Jerusalem Child Development Centre, the two sisters, Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Lind, decided to shift emphasis from curative to preventive medicine. The Hospital became the Centre.

Today it includes a Pediatric Clinic, a Day Care Centre, an Infant Welfare station, laboratory ser-

vices, an Ante-Natal Clinic, and specialized clinics such as Endocrinology, Dermatology, Neurology, and Physiotherapy.

"Health standards have improved very markedly since the Six Day War," Mrs. Lind observes. Arab children, and their mothers, are better fed, better dressed, cleaner. This is due in part to improved economic conditions, and also to the impact of examples set by Jewish mothers: "Arab mothers now see better ways of doing things."

"For instance, we used to try — without much success — to arrange little carrying-cases for mothers to transport their infants. Now, because they see them, Arab mothers have taken to convenient, modern, baby carriers."

But of course, improvement has been gradual all along. "In the very early days, Dr. Kagan had experiences such as that of the mother who took the doctor's prescription, boiled it, and gave the baby the water to drink. We haven't had that sort of thing for years."

A stubborn streak of nearly obsolete Protestant thrift runs through Mrs. Lind's administration. The cost of a recent renovation was partially covered by the sale of "an old refrigerator and two broken sewing machines". Support from a variety of sources is channelled through the "American Colony Aid Association," on which Horatio Vester and his wife serve. And of course, the Hotel helps. Empty beer bottles, for instance, after their gay fling among the tourists, come to the Old City for a more noble function (after sterilization) as medicine bottles.

The Jewish doctors who volunteer their services are motivated partly by professional challenges: "interesting" cases are found here which have long since vanished from the Jewish population. But these Jewish doctors are also attracted by the atmosphere which, at the risk of sounding soft-minded, can be described as "an oasis of peace." Not that fear and suspicion is not present. But at the same time, this is, as one of them has put it, "a place where Arab and Jewish colleagues can work and laugh together — and argue, too. It is as things should be, a model proving there is still hope for the future."

ANNA GRACE Vester Lind, with her romantic and difficult heritage — "little princess" in a commune under the Turks, radiant golden girl under the British, mother and career woman in America — looks outwardly like a typically American grandmother, trim and pink-cheeked. If more handsome than average, more lively and active, inwardly, her unshakable faith has its roots elsewhere.

She has all the contemporary American friendliness, spontaneity, and efficient ways with a blender in the kitchen. But her store is a huge institutional one, and the wall of the room where she serves lunch to friends is, literally, the wall of the Old City. She has no time today for her hobby of painting (her oils hang upstairs at the Hotel) and unlike some Jerusalemites, especially those bred in a religious atmosphere, she has not absorbed a grain of cynicism in all the years in the Holy City.

"Grateful" is a word she uses often, in the sense of being "grateful for everything that happens." She has seen a large measure of hate in Jerusalem over a long period, yet she is able to interpret the modest measure of co-operation at the Centre as "a sign of hope that mutual understanding and respect will one day produce the love so badly needed between these half-brothers, both sons of Abraham."

## Jewish studies centre for kibbutz schools

By YA'ACOV ARDON

HAIFA. — A centre for Jewish studies which will prepare teaching programmes for kibbutz schools on all periods of Jewish thought — "from the Bible to Martin Buber, with a secular slant" will be among the innovations this year at the Oranim School of Education, at Kiryat Tivon, the joint institution of the three labour affiliated kibbutz movements. Oranim directors Miriam Ben Aharon and Shimon Stern recently outlined for the press next year's syllabus, which includes courses for teachers in development areas, a preparatory course for youth aliya instructors, and courses at academic level on Middle East af-

fairs, including contemporary Arab society.

The 25-year-old Oranim seminar, affiliated with the Haifa University since 1971, today has 1,300 students, two thirds of them kibbutz members, mainly from the North. A similar seminar in Tel Aviv (as yet without academic affiliation), with an enrollment of 1,200, serves the kibbutzim of the centre and south.

Another innovation at the Oranim School will be courses for primary school teachers leading to B.A. and B.Sc. degrees. The examinations at the end of these courses will be at the same level as those at the Haifa University. Oranim will also be the first pedagogic institution offering a

B.A. course for music teachers. Oranim offers training for all levels of education, from nursery school to high school. It also conducts research on kibbutz education, science, instruction, child activities, and child-and-family guidance, and maintains a botanical garden for instructional purposes, a library and teaching laboratories.

Oranim's regular Education Ministry budget of about IL12m. will be supplemented by the kibbutz movements by IL15m. this year. The institution admits students other than kibbutz members after they have completed their army service and worked at least one year as teachers.



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## FOCUS ON SYRIA

ON THE FACE of it, there is no reason why the renewal of UNDOF's mandate for six more months beyond the end of May should be anything but a routine affair when it comes up at the Security Council on Friday. Israel's consent to the continued presence of the UN force has long been assured; and as for Syria, it is hard to see what else it can do under existing conditions but follow suit.

Whatever trouble-making capacity Syria may have possessed last November appears to have been dissipated since then. The entanglement in Lebanon, although it has not involved a massive commitment of troops, constitutes a dangerous diversion for Syria. It has failed to resolve the Lebanese conflict, but it has turned Syria's erstwhile friends in Lebanon against it, and has caused a potentially major rift within the Ba'ath regime in Damascus. President Hafez Assad, more than a month ago, warned the leftist-PLO combination in Beirut that by their intransigence they might be forcing him to extend UNDOF's mandate for a full year.

The Lebanese adventure has further alienated Syria from its one-time ally Egypt, and has in fact helped harden Egypt's determination to adhere to the terms of the Sinai accord. That indeed was the rock on which the projected meeting of reconciliation in Riyadh foundered before it even opened. Without some prospect of Egyptian cooperation, however, Syrian threats sound hollow — at least as long as Jordan, the new-found ally, has not been fully integrated into the Syrian military setup.

Moreover, a successful surprise attack on Israel by Syria is now, despite repeated boasts from Damascus, a more remote possibility than ever. This, of course, is only added reason for Israel to reject out of hand any notion of compensation to the Syrians for their acquiescence in the extension of UNDOF's mandate. Israel's major fear has been that the U.S., mindful of the advantages to itself of the Syrian intervention in Lebanon, may think differently. But now President Ford has assured Mr. Rabin through Mrs. Meir that Washington shares Jerusalem's opposition to any such payoff this time.

This would seem to clinch the issue. And yet, it is well to bear in mind that Syria did not command so much more power last November, when a timid Security Council submitted to a Syrian demand for a special session on the Middle East with the official participation of the PLO. The U.S. argued then, and even more strongly later, that the price was low enough to pay for the high purpose of maintaining tranquillity in the Golan. Could not the reiteration of certain previous American statements now be presented as constituting no price at all?

UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim is arriving in Damascus today, at the Syrians' behest. It is generally assumed that his visit is meant to be a gesture to help set the seal on the renewal of UNDOF's mandate. But there is the danger that it could serve to raise some last minute Syrian demands, as some spokesmen in Damascus have in fact indicated.

Next week Soviet Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin will be coming to Damascus, after a visit to Baghdad, in an effort to cement an "Arab Rejection Front" made up of Algeria, Libya, Syria, Iraq and the PLO. The mere scheduling of his visit may serve to encourage die-hard counsels in the Syrian regime.

Thus despite Syria's difficulties it may be premature to state that the extension of the UN force's mandate, without conditions, is already a certainty.



Weizmann, Balfour and Sokolow, right, photographed in 1925.

If some of Weizmann's supporters feel that he was badly treated by Ben-Gurion, they should hear what the supporters of Nahum Sokolow have to say about how shabbily Weizmann and his votaries treated their man, writes MARK SEGAL. He visited Sokolow's house in London and spoke to the great man's daughter, Dr. CELINA SOKOLOW, now in her eighties.

## Sokolow's part in history

THE three-storey house at 43 Compayne Gardens in London's Hampstead district is filled with the ghosts of its past. Passers-by can hardly imagine that it was once the focus of a great political movement and that men of affairs and famous artists thronged its rooms.

The wooden gate to the house bears a sign with the Hebrew name "Hatefira" and the spacious downstairs rooms still evoke the stylish years that ended with the death of Nahum Sokolow at the age of 77 on the 26th of Iyar, exactly 40 years ago. Most of the heavy old furniture and paintings remain — there is a fine portrait of Sokolow by Leouid Pasternak — as does the grand piano on which Arthur Rubinstein used to play. An echo remains of the murdered conversation at those brilliant receptions attended by Balfour, Weizmann, Masaryk and other giants of the time.

Nahum Sokolow was not only one of Zionism's founding fathers. He was a universal culture and he communicated in seven languages. He was the father of Hebrew journalism, having founded "Hatefira," the first Hebrew daily, and he was a major influence in the development of modern Hebrew. At the age of 20, he translated Schiller's "Romeo and Juliet" into Hebrew. Yet he preferred to speak Polish to his children, and Yiddish or Russian to his closest friends.

My guide through the Sokolow house was Dr. Emile Goldstein, living proof of the great Zionist leader's capacity to win people's hearts. Dr. Goldstein became a convert to Zionism the day in 1927 that Sokolow addressed almost the entire Jewish community of Sofia. He emigrated to England in 1938, and is today a neighbour and close friend of Sokolow's daughter, Dr. Celina Sokolow.

Before we met, I had heard of her devotion to her father in his lifetime, when she served as his secretary and personal physician, and after his death, since when she has dedicated her life to maintaining his memory.

SHE WAS SITTING in the same great carved Victorian chair on which Sokolow sat, near the same table at which he was writing his monograph on Jewish heroes the day he died. She injured her hip in an accident last year which impedes her walking, but she never referred to it. Her brightly-smiling intelligent eyes and animated conversation belie her 80-odd years.

A recurrent theme in her conversation is that her father's memory has not been "properly honoured in the Jewish State for which he laboured so hard."

Yes, she acknowledges that Kibbutz Sde Nahum was named after him, "but why has the Jewish National Fund not seen fit to name a forest in his honour?" She agrees that her father would have been pleased to know that such a busy press centre as Beit Sokolow (in Tel Aviv) bears his name. Yet, the omissions she received in 1970 from David Ben-Gurion which he wrote: "Justice has not been done to his memory." Ben-Gurion was praising Sokolow's largely forgotten, two-volume "History of Zionism," which he described as "the best history of Zionism I have read. It should be

translated into Hebrew." She recalls the many long hours her father spent working on the history in the British Museum, and its eventual publication with a preface by Lord Balfour.

Celina Sokolow feels that her father's memory would best be perpetuated by some great literary project, or at least the creation of a Sokolow Chair in Hebrew Literature at one of Israel's universities — preferably the Hebrew University on Mount Scopus, at whose foundation ceremony in 1919 Sokolow was the main Jewish speaker. She talks of the great educational function performed by her father through "Hatefira." "It was not a parochial newspaper, and it educated generations of Jews in modern Hebrew." She recalls how from an early age he was a remarkably prolific writer, his works ranging from his Hebrew translation of Herzl's "Altneuland" to his celebrated book on Spinoza. (He entitled his translation of Herzl's utopian novel "Tel Aviv," thus providing the founders of Ahuzat Bayit with the name for what was then a garden suburb of Jaffa.)

The Sokolow house once contained two huge libraries of rare books, which are now in the Zionist Archives in Jerusalem, together with most of his pictures and personal effects, like his flute. Celina Sokolow showed me one of Bialik's half-mocking, half-admiring tributes to her father's immense literary output: "If someone were found who would collect all of Sokolow's writings and bring them together in one spot, he would need at least 300 camels..."

DR. SOKOLOW reveals that her father's dream was to see that his dictionary be published together with his complete works, and she wonders whether this anniversary could be marked in that way? "But maybe that is asking too much? No, I don't believe in committees, but something ought to be done... It was his life's work — the compilation of the Hebrew encyclopaedic dictionary along the lines of the French Larousse... I sent all the material to the Archives — it contained millions of quotations and it was almost complete — and I was promised it would be housed in a projected Sokolow Institute on Mount Scopus... Perhaps his work on Spinoza could be brought out for the philosopher's 300th anniversary?"

The house stands in a once fashionable part of Hampstead. Sickert the painter lived nearby, and Nathan Zach, the Hebrew poet-exile is a neighbour. The blitz just missed it, although the German bombs that hit the graves of Sokolow and his wife (before reinterment in Jerusalem) also killed their grandson, George, at the onset of a promising BBC career. His father, Florian, died in London in 1967, having made a name for himself as a journalist. He left a manuscript of his father's biography, which Celina completed. It was brought out last year by Jewish Chronicle Publications, a Hebrew translation having appeared earlier.

As Dr. Sokolow tells of her travels with her father, the decades unravel, and she becomes visibly younger as she talks of meeting Herbert Hoover in the White House or Smuts in Cape Town.

On another count, she is upset that "by default or otherwise," her father's role in the crucial days of 1917 preceding the Balfour Declaration have been played down. Early in 1917, Balfour made it clear to Sokolow and other Zionist leaders that the British Government could hardly commit itself to a Jewish National Home without a friendly statement from the French and a sympathetic nod from the Vatican. It was after meeting Sir Mark Sykes, Chief Secretary of the War Cabinet, at the home of Chief Rabbi Moses Gaster on February 7, 1917 that Sokolow was entrusted with the negotiations with the French and the Holy See.

On June 4, after calling on the French Premier, M. Alexandre Ribot, Sokolow obtained a French Government pronouncement expressing sympathy with Zionist aspirations — six months before the Balfour Declaration ("It would be an act of justice and reparation to assist in the renaissance of Jewish nationhood in that land from which the people of Israel were exiled so many centuries ago...")

IF SOME of Chaim Weizmann's supporters feel that he was badly treated by Ben-Gurion, they should listen to what the surviving supporters of Sokolow have to say as to how shabbily Weizmann and his votaries treated their man. The bitterness emerges in the daughter's words: "He died of a broken heart... he was above parties, but he had a few enemies... In 1929 there came the Passfield White Paper and at the 1931 Zionist Congress, father warned: 'The British will betray us' — and the Congress elected him President of the Zionist Organization, replacing Weizmann." (Weizmann remained out of office until 1935, when Sokolow was kicked upstairs — so his followers assert — becoming Honorary President of the Zionist Organization, and head of the new Cultural Department, which the Weizmann majority denied a budget.)

Among the huge number of letters sent to the Archives, Dr. Sokolow recalls, are some from Weizmann, written in English and Russian. She recalls: "They all contain constant threats of resignation. Before the Balfour Declaration, Weizmann wrote to him 'of mistrust, jealousy and some sort of fanaticism which makes useful work impossible... It won't be difficult for you to explain to our friends in the (British) Government that for reasons of health I cannot continue Zionist work. The same you can explain to the English Zionist Federation.' " "Naturally my father refused," she added triumphantly. "Time and again in later years he threatened to resign, but my father did not let him."

## Dry Bones



### READERS' LETTERS

#### FAILURE OF DEFERENCE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — In his discussion with Meir Weizal about the omission of Chaim Weizmann's name from the Declaration of Independence (May 16), Dov Joseph is technically right. But alas! only technically. It is true that the signatories were the 37 members of the Provisional State Council, that Weizmann was not a member of that body and that is the "reason" for his omission. For historians, however, the notion of "reason" is more complex. Why was it not decided that in order to qualify for signature, it was necessary to be either (a) a member

of the Provisional State Council and/or (b) Dr. Chaim Weizmann? The day after the ink was dry, Weizmann was elected President of the Provisional State Council. We are left with the paradox that his omission is due to his non-membership on May 14 of the body of which he became the President on May 16! I stick to what I wrote in Encyclopedia Judaica (Vol. 16, page 457): "The Israel Government of the time showed a lack of imagination and a failure of historic deference." ABRA EBAN

Herzliya.

#### DEMOLITIONS IN JAFFA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your report of May 11 on the demolition of Jaffa edifices belonging to Arab citizens, you claim that I spoke with Mr. Kremmer of the Tel Aviv Municipality who is in charge of demolition work, and warned him that there would be violence if they tore down the buildings. I wish to protest against this report which is unfounded.

At noon on Monday, I was informed from Jaffa that the police was gathering a large force of several hundred policemen and Border Police in order to enable municipal supervisors and workers to tear down a few edifices which had been put up without a licence. I heard that the atmosphere was tense and that the proprietors of the buildings involved objected to their demolition. I telephoned the office of Police Inspector-General Rosolio to ask him to postpone the demolition work in order to reach a settlement with the residents. The Police Inspector-General was out.

I then telephoned the office of the Tel Aviv Mayor, Mr. Lahat, in order to discuss the subject with him, but he too was out. His secretary passed me on to Mr. Kremmer, who is in charge of demolition work. Mr. Kremmer was also out and therefore I did not speak to him, as you claimed, but spoke to his secretary. I told her that I wanted to talk with Mr. Kremmer and ask him to postpone implementation of the demolition orders and have the Municipality try and reach a settlement with the residents instead of using police force against them. That is what I told the secretary; I never spoke to Mr. Kremmer.

TAWFIK TOUBI, M.E.  
Jerusalem.  
Sarah Honig reports from Tel Aviv that municipal sources and Mr. Kremmer firmly stand by the report they issued. They insist that the conversation with Mr. Kremmer did take place and that the warning of further disturbances, unless an alteration in city policy was effected, was in fact delivered.

#### ADMIRAL ZUMWALT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — I was present at a luncheon in honour of Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, former U.S. Chief of Naval Operations, and in answer to the question: "How should Israel react in view of the purpose of the Arabs to eliminate the Jewish State in the same way as they have eliminated the Kurds and the Christians?" — and does it make sense for Israel to weaken herself by withdrawals?" his reply was an attack on Dr. Kissinger's general policy in the

Middle East and, as noted in "The Times," he urged Israel "to hang on tooth and nail to every square inch of territory." I find it impudently that such a positive and forthright statement has come from a Christian, American military expert and not from the Israeli leadership. BARBARA OBERMAN (Ms.)  
Chairman  
Committee for the Release of Soviet Jewish Prisoners  
London.

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